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Israel Presses Attacks Amid Rocket Fire By Hezbollah

Forcing Syria to Curb Allies in Lebanon Called A Goal of the Offensive

By David Hoffman

JERUSALEM — Israel intensified an aerial and naval attack on Hezbollah guerrillas and guillant Palesiinians in Lebanon on Monday, miniant Passimans in Lebanon on Monday, in leasting in artillery barrage on southern villages and firing missles at Palestinian refugee camps near the northern port of Tripoli. In retailation, Hezbollah fighters lobbed new waves of Katyusha rockets at Israeli settlements in the Union Caliba. ments in the Upper Galilee.

ments in the Upper Galilee.

The toil from two days of shelling stood at more than 30 people and more than 100 injured. Hundreds of Lebanese civilians were reported to be fleeing northward after Israeli forces warned them to evacuate their villages, while Israel was rushing to move children and the elderly out of its northern settlements.

Arab diplomats rallied to Lebanon's defense and warned that the outbreak of violence would deal another setback to the stalled Middle East peace talks just before Secretary of State War-

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peace talks just before Secretary of State War-ren M. Christopher visits the region. Lebanon appealed to the United Nations Security Council to stop the Israeli bombard-ments. France, Syria, Egypt and the Palestine Liberation Organization also issued warnings of adverse impact on the peace talks. But Syria, the main power broker, with 35,000 troops in Lebanon, stopped short of threatening to quit he peace process.

Israel announced that the goal of the largest offensive since the 1982 Lebanon war was to silence Hezbollah's rocket barrages. But senior Israeli officials and Western diplomats said the military show of force had another, less visible goal as well: to put pressure on Syria.

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In Israel's view the Syrian president, Hafez Assad, has been playing a double game: sanc-tioning military attacks against Israel by Hezbollah, which rejects the peace process, while, sitting at the negotiating table with Israel.

After recent diplomatic protests failed, Israel decided to use force to send a message to Syria, the officials said.

"We don't see how you can have it both ways," said Jacques Neriah, diplomatic adviser to Prime Minister Virthak Rabbit, "chaducting. See RAID, Page 2



ALL TOGETHER NOW — President François Mitterrand with Prime Ministers John Major and Edouard Balladur during a break in talks Monday at a British-French summit meeting in London. The two countries agreed to work for European monetary stability, to counter fears that Europe's beleaguered currency grid might collapse under the weight of market speculators. Page 9.

Pretoria Unveils Draft Constitution

By Paul Taylor

Washington Post Service
JOHANNESBURG — Reeling in horror
from a barbaric weekend of violence that included a church massacre, South Africa's politi-cal leaders unveiled a draft of the country's first postapartheid constitution Monday.

The document calls for equal voting and

citizenship rights regardless of race, the election next April of a two-chamber national legislainre and 5 to 10 regional parliaments, and the establishment of a constitutional court to protect basic constitutional principles.

Although the draft represents a milestone in South Africa's slow passage to democracy, the

magnitude of the moment was all but lost in the political brinkmanship that accompanied the document's release, and the widespread revul-sion that followed an attack on a crowded church that left 11 dead and 49 wounded.

"It is almost as if evil is challenging that which is good in South Africa," a distraught President Frederik W. de Klerk said after visiting some of those injured in the attack on a predominantly white congregation by five black gunmen.

The attack occurred as more than 1,000 parishioners were attending a Sunday-night service at the St. James Church of England in an upscale, politically progressive suburb of Cape Town. Hooded attackers burst through a side door, hurled two grenades into the pews and opened fire with assault rifles. At least one mber of the congregation returned fire with

Among the dead was a 17-year-old boy who had stayed behind in South Africa to finish his high school studies after his parents had emigrated to England to escape the mayhem of South Africa's transition to democracy, which

has taken more than 10,000 lives io the past three years.

The police said Monday that they were investigating the possibility of links between the church attack and two incidents in the past eight months to which black gunmen opened fire on whites in a hotel lobby and a country club dining room. The militant Azanian People's Liberation Army, military wing of the Pan-Africanist Congress, claimed responsibility for the earlier attacks but said Monday that it had had nothing to do with the church massa-

The attack was just the latest escalation in he political violence that has hit the country in the three weeks since political leaders set April 27 as the date of the South Africa's first allraces election. Since Saturday, at least 45 peo-

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Yeltsin Intervenes To Curb Ruble Panic

He Triples the Limit for New Bills And Gives Stinging Rebuff to Foes

By Steven Erlanger

MOSCOW - lo the face of growing panic among the Russian people and loud criticism from the Westernized, market-oriented wing of his government. President Boris N. Yeltsin issued a decree Monday sharply curtailing a radical currency exchange announced Saturday by the Control Pook by the Central Bank.

Worried Russians stood in long lines throughout the country, from St. Petersburg to Vladivostok, trying to exchange suddenly iovalid, pre-1993 ruble banknotes at state banks. many of which had inadequate supplies, or no supplies, of the new notes. Even Mr. Yeltsin's chief political rival, Rus-

lan I. Khashulatov, the speaker of parliament who is normally an ally of the Central Bank, came out against the currency move. He called it confiscators and threatened to convene parliament to overturn it.

So President Yeltsin, who was on vacation outside Moscow when the Central Bank deci-

sion was made, moved first.

In the process, he delivered a stinging rebuke to the Central Bank and its acting director.

Viktor V. Gerashchenko, He sided in general with free-market supporters like the finance minister. Boris G. Fyodorov. And he embar-rassed his industrialist prime minister. Viktor S. Chernomyrdin, who had approved the Ceotral Bank's plans in a meeting Friday, to which the Finance Ministry was not invited.

Mr. Yelisin ruled that Russian citizens could exchange up to 100,000 old rubles (about \$100) for new ones until the end of August, instead of 35,000 old rubles by a deadline of Aug. 7.

He also decreed that 10,000-ruble banknotes dated 1992 could be exchanged for new ones above and beyond those limits, and that banknotes of 10 rubles or less could still be used until the end of August, no matter when issued.

Many kiosks and vendors could oot function

Monday because of a lack of valid small change, with new ruble coins in short supply. The main periodical distribution company threatened to stop accepting newspapers.

The expanded limits and period for exchange

should allow for many times the amount of old notes that were in circulation, economists said, and remove the sense of panic.

Under the original order, they were obliged to put all old notes above the 35,000 ruble limit into state bank accounts, which would be froand friends, few people should have difficulty finding ways to exchange their old notes. Some entrepreneurs were already buying up old notes

at a 15 percent discount. Mr. Yeltsin's decision all but kills the Central Bank's initiative and is a severe embarrassment for its acting director, who has been feuding

with Mr. Fyodorov, the finance minister. Mr. Fyodorov was in the United States when the decision was announced and, according to Finance Ministry officials and a senior government economic adviser, Anders Aslund, neither Mr. Yeltsin nor Mr. Fyodorov was informed of

the decision, which was made Thursday.

Mr. Aslund said that Prime Minister Chernomyrdin did oot seem to understand the implications of the Central Bank's decision and called a government meeting Friday evening. There was some dissent, especially from the minister of privatization, Anatoli B. Chubais, but partic-

ipants were unprepared for the meeting.

Mr. Chernomyrdin "seemed to have been coopted into supporting the Central Bank move." Mr. Aslund said, issuing a statement of governmental support on Saturday when the decision was announced.

Mr. Fyodorov issued a statement disassociating the Finance Ministry from the "senseless" move and calling it "a deliberate political provocation aimed at irritating the population and discrediting the president, his government and

He called it "a direct deception of the people" and "a blow against economic reforms." In an interview Monday, with a Russian radio station. Mr. Fyodorov said: "Once again. we are making fools of ourselves in the eves of the world. We are using Bolshevik methods of a Stalinist nature to try to resolve economic prob-

The Central Bank's decision had the stated goals of slowing inflation, ridding the nation of counterfeit currency and getting better control

lems in the context of a market economy. This

over the money supply.

But Mr. Aslund said none of the goals would have been achieved because the cychange period represented no barrier to older rubles outside Russia, but rather was an invitation to flood Russia with curreocy.

Dealing Monday with another challenge, President Yeltsin reprimanded his security minister. Viktor Barannikov, and dismissed Vladimir Shyvakhtin, commander of the country's border guards, for being unprepared to repel Tajik rebel attacks from Afghanistan. zen for six months at a low rate of interest.

Bot given the higher limit and Russians' ability to move money among family members Reuters reported from Moscow.

Kiosk

German Gets 7 Years In Stabbing of Kefugee

FRANKFURT AN DER ODER, Germany (Reuters) - An East German court sentenced a 20-year-old rightist to seven years in prison for the attempted murder of a Nigerian asylum-seeker after a stabbing attack, court officials said Monday.

The court found that the defendant had

stabbed the Nigerian in the chest and face at a bus stop in October. The judge said that racial hatred had been the motive for the attack and that it was pure chance the victim had not died.

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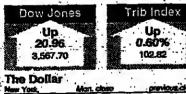
General News

A morning jog with President Clinton is not for the out-of-shape. Page 3. General Matthew B. Ridgway, 98, a U.S.

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The U.S. picked a Japanese firm to work on the ambassador's residence in Tokyo, amid controversy over-contracts. Page 9.

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BATTLING THE RIVER — Three boys on a homemade raft struggling to reach a shelter in a flooded area of Bangladesh. At least 300 Bangladeshis have been killed.

Murdoch Takes a Big Leap Into Asian TV

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG - Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. took a commanding position Monday in the race to develop the world's largest potential television market when it bought nearly twothirds control of STAR-TV, the dominant satellite broadcaster in Asia, for \$525 million.

A Hong Kong conglomerate. Hutchison Whampoa, and the family of its chairman, Li Ka-shiog, will retain 34.6 percent of STAR-TV's parent company. Hutchvision Ltd., a company they started in 1990. They will also retain the network's broadcasting license. granted by the Hoog Koog government.

For News Corp., it was the largest acquisition since the Australian concern steered clear of financial disaster by renegotiating its debt. which totaled almost 10 billion Australian dollars (\$6.77 billion) in 1990.

Uotil about a year ago, Mr. Murdoch "had to concentrate on building up his balance sheet," said John Reidy, an analyst at Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co. in New York. "Now he's

returned to strong financial health, and the ston service, which will require substantial new

world's his oyster." Based in Sydoey, News Corp. bas publishing. entertainment and broadcasting properties spread across four continents. Its holdings include Fox Broadcasting, Fox Television Stations and Twentieth Century-Fox Film Corp. in the United States and 50 percent of British

Sky Broadcasting Ltd. Monday's agreement marries these holdings and others with a distribution system for television programming that reaches 38 Asian countries, including much of China. Asia, by far the most populous continent, is said by eager mar-keters to be the home of around two-thirds of the world's potential television viewers.

"News Corp. has a lot of experience in broadcasting, and STAR-TV has the operating expertise in Asia." Peter Smith, News Corp.'s director of techoology, said. "When we put

them together, it's a very strong combination." free channels 24 hours a day. It plans to com-

STAR-TV currectly is seen by 45 million people in 13 million bomes and broadcasts five

A STAR-TV spokesman, in announcing the group's acceptance of News Corp.'s offer, said it valued Hutchvision at about six times the amount that Hutchison Whampoa and the Li family had invested in the satellite television

News Corp. proposes to pay half of the price, or \$262.5 million, in cash raised through an issue of convertible preference shares and the other half in the form of News Corp. ordinary

STAR-TV has been at the center of a swirl of negotiations with several of the world's top

broadcasting and entertainment groups. The group has signed memorandums of in-

tent with National Broadcasting Corp. in the United States, Mitsui & Co. in Japan and Pearson PLC io Britain to provide programming for a 24-hour business news channel. In addition, industry heavyweights such as Walt Disney Co., MCA International, Sony

Corp.'s Columbia Pictures and Tristar Pictures.

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U.S. Asks Asians to Help Curb Weapons

plement this with a subscription-based televi-

By Michael Richardson

SINGAPORE - The United States, in an intensified effort to halt the spread of weapons of mass destruction, will ask Asian outions to apply tougher controls over exports of equipment from the region that could be used to make chemical or biological weapons.

The United States will also improve the comhat readiness and mobility of its forces in Northeast Asia and the Pacific in response to the North Korean nuclear threat, a senior American official said Monday.

However, although battlefield intelligence equipment for American forces in South Korea will be upgraded, there will be no change in the number of U.S. troops, currently around

37,000, stationed in the country, the official

Earlier, Secretary of State Warreo M. Christopher said at a meeting of foreign ministers from 12 Asia-Pacific countries and the European Community that the proliferation of chemi-cal and biological weapons of mass destruction and the missiles that can deliver them was a growing problem for Asia.

He said that economic and technological development "means the region can oow pro-duce chemicals, sophisticated electronics and other products and services that the proliferators want, but are now denied in Europe and the U.S."

Mr. Christopher added that Asia was at the stage when its participation in international

agreements, including export controls, to curb the spread of weapons of mass destruction was absolutely essential."

A senior U.S. official, who requested anonymity, said that the Clinton administration was reviewing a number of inmatives to halt the spread of nuclear, chemical and biological arms, and the missiles that could carry them.

He said that in closed-door discussion with other Asia-Pacific nations on Monday many countries had expressed strong concern about

The United States plans to seek tighter controls in Asia on the export of so-called dual-use equipment, components and technology, which could be used for peaceful purposes as well as

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U.S. Visas for Millionaires Go Begging

By Michael S. Amold

WASHINGTON - While huddled masses of Chinese refugees pay smugglers exorbitant sums for phony immigration documents, another type of immigrant visa is going begging: visas for millionaire investors.

Congress expected a stampede when it set aside 10,000 visas annually for "yacht people," foreigners willing to invest \$1 million in busi-nesses in the United States. Instead, the Immigration and Naturalization Service has received just 753 applications since the investor visa

program began nearly two years ago. Of those, 311 have been approved, for businesses ranging from model milroad museums and sock manufacturing to last-food franchises and real estate development. Through March, however, only 97 investors — more than half of whom already lived in the United States when source of the money is legitimate.

they applied - had completed the final paper-

They thought investors would be falling out of trees with their pockets full of money, saying,
Take my money, "said Harold W. Bzell,
chairman of an immigration consulting firm in
Newport Beach, California, and former commissioner of the Immigration Service's western region. He said the investor visa "concept was correct, but the details of the concept were too vague, and the implementation of the concept by the INS was not as thorough as it should

have been. Among the program's glitches, critics say, are the price of admission: a million-dollar investment in urban areas or a \$500,000 investment in rural or high-unemployment areas, a two-year period of conditional residency and the requirement that the investment create 10 full-time jobs. Moreover, the Immigration Service can do only a cursory investigation to make sure the

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Judging from the tepid response. Congress may have overestimated the attraction of the United States. Last year, nearly 7,000 investors instead chose to go to Canada, where they can become permanent residents for just a \$250,000 iovestment with few strings attached.

Jon Basel, a management consultant in San Pedro, California, said he stopped touting the investor visa option to his Hong Kong clients a year ago. "I think we were a little arrogant in our position. The program had seemed an ideal marriage

ing for investment and Hong Kong millionaires seeking an escape route before Chinese rule in But the coup de grace was a U.S. law that taxes residents on their worldwide carnings, not just the portion made in the United States.

between a country torn by recession and thirst-

"I bave many clients who would love to See VISA, Page 4

The Bottle Cap That Cost Pepsi Millions

By Bob Drogin Los Angeles Times Service

MANILA -- Pepsi Cola's advertisements. splashed for weeks all over Philippine news-papers, radio and TV, were hardly subtle: Today, you could be a millionaire!"

From her tin-roofed shack in one of Manila's slums, Victoria Angelo couldn't resist. The unemployed mother of five and her husband, Juanito, who pedals people about in his three-wheeled cab for about \$4 a day, began drinking Pepsi with every meal and snack. Each morning, the family prayed for a spe-cially marked bottle cap. And each night. they and their neighbors flocked around a small television to see if their prayers had been answered.

And then, a miracle!

announced that anyone bolding a bottle cap marked 349 had won up to 1 million pesos. about \$40,000, tax-free.

Spreading her collection of caps on a table, Victoria Angelo screamed, "We are a million-

Her voice ringing with excitement, she re-called that she turned to her family: "I tell my children you can finish school and go to college," she said, adding, "I tell myself we can buy a real house. Can you imagine? It is a dream come true!"

But her dream has become a nightmare for New York-based Pepsico Inc. In a marketing mistake that surely must rank among the world's worst. Pepsi had announced the wroog number. Instead of a single 1-million-peso winner, up to 800,000 bottle caps

to \$32 billion in prize money. And tens of thousands of Filipinos soon began demanding billions of dollars that Pepsi refuses to

The dispute - on which Pepsi has snent millions of dollars - bas sparked a cola war. Pepsi records show that at least 32 delivery trucks have been stoned, torched or overturned. Men have thrown firebombs and othor explosives at Pepsi plants and offices.

In the worst incident, the police say a fragmentation grenade tossed at a parked Pepsi truck in a Manila suburb Feb. 13 bounced off and killed a schoolteacher and a 5-year-old girl and wounded six people.

Pepsi executives here bave gotten so many See PEPSI, Page 4

By Stephen Kinzer
New York Times Service

BERLIN — Bowing to protests from Jewish groups. German railroad planners have withdrawn plans to demolish part of a Berlin train station from which tens of thousands of Jews were deported to their deaths in the 1940s. Instead, they will huild a monument there to honor the victims.

Several long freight ramps at Grunewald station were to be forn down to make way for a modern complex serving passengers on newly improved routes between Berlin and western cities. But at a meeting last week, planners agreed not to proceed with demolition until the project is redesigned to meet the objections of Jewish groups.

The dispute came as politicians in Boan continued to argue about the need to invest public funds in monuments to victims of Nazi repression. The government has resisted opposition calls to increase spending for such monument

Grunewald station, now a stop on the Berlin elevated transit system, was the departure point for 35.738 of this city's Jews who were shipped eastward between 1941 and 1945. Two other train stations were also used for deportations, but only at Grunewald do the ramps remain as they were.

"Even if only 20 people had been deported, it should not be allowed to build on this track," said Peter Ambros, spokesman for Berlin's principal Jewish organization.

The station is at the edge of a park in the south of what used to be West Berlin. Two plaques, one includ-ing an inscription in Hehrew, remind passers-by of what happened there. There is also a concrete memoriat that was unveiled on Oct. 18, 1991, 50 years after the first carloads of Jews were sent from the Grunewald ramps to occupied Poland. A tablet next to the memo-rial urges that the deponations be "a reminder to us that we must oppose all assaults on human life and

Several Berlin politicians had joined in criticizing the railway's plan to tear down the ramps and replace them with a large waiting room, a business complex and a yard for repairing and cleaning trains. The

Green Party condemned the plan as a sign of "ignorance and contempt for history."

"In a city that does not yet have either a Holocaust

seum or a Holocaust memorial," the Greens said in a statement, "the demolition of one of the few remaining monuments to Jewish life and the Jewish tragedy is completely irresponsible."
The city's culture minister, Ulrich Roloff-Momin,

said he would oppose any construction at Grunewald that did not respect "history and its message to unborn generations." Ignatz Bubis, chairman of the Central Council of Jews in Germany, accused railroad officials

Faced with these pressures, the chief of Germany's railroad system. Heinz Duerr, invited Mr. Bubis and other leaders of Jewish groups to tour the site with

Mr. Bubis said later that railroad officials had apologized for what they described as an unfortunate oversight. He said they had promised to redesign their project to include a "worthy memorial" to the Jews deported from Grunewald.

Those seeking to preserve Holocaust sites in Germany have not always been so successful. Chancellor Helmut Kohl's government recently rejected an appeal in parliament that it assume the costs of renovatthe Sachsenhausen and Ravensbruck concentration camps. The camps, in eastern Germany, will cost an estimated \$13 million to renovate. Officials in Bonn said the cost of such renovations

should be borne by local and state governments.

By contrast, Bonn is assuming the full costs of renovating the Neue Wache, an elegant 19th-century edifice in eastern Berlin that is to become the central memorial to Germany's dead. The inscription will honor "victims of war and violent dictatorship." Mr. Bubis has complained that the phrase "places all victims on the same level."

Berlin, like other German citles, has been reluctant to draw attention to places where Nazi horrors were committed. Many historic sites have been destroyed, although in 1987 the basement of the former Gestapo headquarters was excavated and opened to the public.



Youths in the Mogadishu area where General Mohammed Farrah Aidid has his beadquarters.

In Italy, a Kickback Buildup

RAVENNA. Italy - Fresh allegations that the Ferruzzi empire paid out millions of dollars in kickbacks to political parties overshad-owed the funeral Monday of its former chairman, Raul Gardini, who committed suicide last week.

Hundreds of mourners took a last opportunity to file past the in kickbacks to Italy's two most flower-covered casket containing the body of Mr. Gardini, who shot himself at his Milan apartment Fri-

Mr. Gardini died hours before the funeral of Gabriele Cagliari. the chairman of state-owned oil giant ENI, who was found dead in his prison cell Tuesday after suffo-

cating himself with a plastic bag.
"Gardini was important here. not only as a popular figure but also as a hig employer." a Ravenna

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hut many are also worried about their future.

Even as final preparations were being made for Mr. Gardini's funeral, Italy's graft scandal drew nearer to his organization with fresh allegations that it had paid some 280 hillion lire (\$175 million) discredited parties.

The Corriere della Sera newspaper said former Ferruzzi executives held in jail had confessed to paying the Christian Democrats, Italy's largest party, and the Socialists, long the main ally in government.

Giuseppe Garolano, the former head of Ferruzzi's Montedison SpA chemicals company, and Car-lo Sama, who like Mr. Gardini married into the family, are being questioned in a top-security prison.

Ferruzzi, which is facing a deep financial crisis over its debts of \$19.6 hillion, is also being investi-gated for corruption over Enimont, a joint venture with ENI that col-lapsed in 1990. Investigators say they can prove that money was paid out to political parties during the two years before the venture fell apart amid fights over how Enimont should be run.

Mr. Gardini, who also headed Enimont, is widely thought to have committed suicide to avoid the humiliation of arrest and prison over his part in the affair.

Aldo Fabozzi, governor of the prison where an increasing number of other graft suspects are being held, said 20 extra guards had been hired to keep an eye on Mr. Garofano, who has a floor of the prison

6 Die as U.S. Returns Somali Fire

ROME -- U.S. forces serving under the United Nations command killed at least six Somalis, in-

cluding a woman and a child, alter coming under attack south of the capital of Mogadishu during the night, the ANSA agency reported Monday. Quoting sources with the UN operation in So-

malia, the report said the incident occurred when Somali militia in an armored truck fired on an American outpost.

It said a U.S. Cobra helicopter destroyed the truck. A woman and child who were in the area at the time were reported killed. Somali sources said

A group of Malaysian soldiers serving with the UN came under fire from snipers south of Mogadishu on Monday. There were no casualties reported.

More than 120 Somalis. 35 members of the UN forces and 4 journalists have died since early June.

HIM MOHAMMAD

REZA PAHLAVI

Shahanshah of Iran

The Late

July 27, 1993 marks the 13th anniversary of the passing of my beloved brother Mohammad Reza

My brother was a cultured human being and by nature a man of peace, though he lived and

A month ago, in June, the 2nd UN World Conference on Human Rights was convened in Vienna.

Between 1963 and 1978 Iran played a pivotal role in promoting women's human rights, not only

Pahlavi, the late Shahanshah of Iran. As we recall Iran's peaceful march to prosperity during his reign

and compare it with what came after, we realize that he was the mover and that his vision and dedication

helped our people build a remarkable history of success. Let us therefore cherish his memory for his

reigned in a time of turmoil. Throughout his reign, our country was at the center of the superpower

competition and constantly under the Soviet threat. We sought help in the West and tried to achieve the

military strength and political vigilance necessary to safeguard our national independence and territorial

integrity. Deterred by our military strength, our enemies attacked by proxy, from within, using terror as a

strategy and assassination and sabotage as weapons, forcing us to defend ourselves as best we could-

sometimes, inevitably, by methods that were abhorrent to my brother. But this happened rarely,

Let us recall that the 1st World Conference on Human Rights was hosted by Iran in 1968 and that four

years before that event the Shah had proposed to the General Assembly a program for the eradication of

illiteracy in the world. His plan founded on the belief that every man and woman everywhere had a right

to education and adequate knowledge, included the idea that each member country allocate the equivalent

of one day of its military budget to an international fund to support a World Literacy Program. In 1965

Iran hosted a UN-sponsored International Literacy Conference that led to the designation by the world

within the country, but also on the international scene. During this period, Iranian women gained the

right to vote and found their way to the highest elected and appointed offices of the state. The two Family Protection Laws passed in the 1960s and 1970s broke unprecedented ground in the field of

women's human rights in Islamic countries. Iran was also instrumental in preparing the Draft

International Plan of Action at the Consultative Committee for the World Conference of the International

Women's Year in Mexico in 1975 and was scheduled to host the International Women's Mid-Decade

Conference in Tehran in 1980, which was cancelled by the Islamic Republic. During the same period

Iran was at the forefront of the fight for the preservation of the environment and promotion of

prosperous and progressive Iran against the nefarious forces of reaction. He tried valiantly to tell us all

what awaited us if we failed. Had we listened and had his reign survived the events of 1978, there

would have been no Iran-Iraq War, no state-sponsored fundamentalist terrorism, no Soviet occupation of

Afghanistan, no Iraqi occupation of Kuwait and a lot less turmoil in the Muslim countries ranging from

weight, it is for Iranians to imagine what life would be like today if Iran's march had continued on the

paths of economic and technical progress, peaceful and amicable regional and international relations.

cultural diversity, equality for women and, inevitably, political freedom. What a splendid role Iran might

now be playing in preserving and promoting regional cooperation in Central Asia and other parts of the

region as a prosperous and progressive center of a vast area that shares, lives and remembers the splendor

of our common ancient culture! This picture of peace, prosperity and friendship reminds us of

Mohammad Reza Shah's vision for his country and for the region.

My brother remained a champion of progressive policies throughout his reign, trying to achieve a

Now that communism is dead and the Soviet threat no longer deforms us under its unbearable

profound love of his country and honor his times and works for his vision and for his leadership.

minimally, compared with many other countries and certainly compared with what came after.

body of 1965-1975 as the Literacy Decade.

ecologically sound programs.

God bless his soul.

Jordan to Morocco.

In New Blow to Major, **ADVERTISEMENT** Treaty Court Case Opens In Memory of My Brother

LONDON - Prime Minister John Major came under renewed attack over his policy on Europe on Monday from a court challenge to British ratification of the Maastricht treaty and widening divisions in his Conservative Party.

Lord Rees-Mogg, a former editor of The Times, opened a High Court challenge to the legality of the British ratification process, which came to a dramatic end last week when Mr. Major pinned ratification to a confidence motion in

But turmoil over the treaty has further damaged Mr. Major as be struggles to reassert the authority of his Conservative government after a year of U-turns and political

According to opinion polls, he will lose a key by-election later this week in the south coast town of Christchurch, with the Liberal Democrats reversing a big Conservalite majority. Polls show the Conservatives coming in third. A less would reduce Mr. Major's majority to 17 in the 651-seat Parlia-

Lord Rees-Mogg's challenge, which includes the industrialist Sir James Goldsmith among its backers, stretched out the agony for Mr. Major as it delayed the final resolution of a problem that has dogged his leadership. Lord Rees-Mogg, who wants the

treaty torn up, argues that Britain cannot ratify Maastricht since Parliament has not endorsed the social chapter on labor and welfare laws from which Mr. Major negotiated an exemption for Britain.

The government insists it will win the case, which threatens to become a constitutional confronta-

The speaker of the House of Commons, Betty Boothroyd, last week warned the parties to the case and the judges not to undermine the principle of the supremacy of

Mr. Major's authority was seriously damaged last week when he had to threaten a general election to crush a party mutiny against Maastricht, using his own electoral weakness as a weapon to force dis-

sidents into line. Mr. Major was also under attack from within his party and the media over unguarded remarks in which be used derogatory language to explain why he did not dis three cabinet colleagues alleged to oppose his stand on closer ties with

Europe. In what he believed were off-therecord comments to a television interviewer, Mr. Major said he did not want to add to the number of Conservative rebels attacking his policy from the Conservative back

"We don't want another three more of the bastards out there," he said. The remarks were recorded and passed to a newspaper report-

The Welsh secretary, John Redwood, named by newspapers as one of those to whom Mr. Major was referring, said sphits were being ex-

"There are times when there are some good discussions; but it's a very friendly cabinet," he said.

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has long suspected Pakistan of developing nuclear arms. Moreover, although the ultimate check of a nuclear weapon design is a violent blast. nonexplosive tests are also done.

and it was very successful."

Correction

against them in the southeast.

A caption in Friday's Leisure pages misidentified an actress in the movie "Hocus Pocus." The actress pictured was Kathy Najimy.

WORLD BRIEFS

Vietnam Refugees Get UN Ultimatum

HONG KONG (Reuters) — The United Nations, beset by refugee problems throughout the world, set a deadline Monday for Vietnamese boat people" to offer to go home or face a big cut in cash bandonts. In a new policy for Vietnamese in camps around Asia, the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees said refugees faced a one-third cut in their \$360 resettlement grants unless they volunteered to return within three months.

The commissioner's Hong Kong acting chief, Kaiser Zaman, said Vielnamese were no longer a top priority because of new refugee

problems in the former Yugoslavia and Asia, plus long-standing prob-

ems in Africa. "Money is required elsewhere in the world." he said. "The

international community is no longer keen on paying for their care and

In Shift, Sihanouk Seeks Rebel Talks

BANGKOK (NYT) Prince Norodom Silianouk, having apparently won the concessions he wanted from the Clinton administration, agreed Monday to allow Cambodia's newly formed coalition government to resume negotiations with the Khmer Rouge to end Cambodia's civil war.

The prince said he would allow the new talks with the rebels if they were "likely to bring peace and resolve the problem of the partitioning of

Last week, the prince had called off peace talks scheduled for September with Khieu Samphan, the titular leader of the Khmer Rouge: He said then that he was acting in accordance with the wishes of the Clinton administration, which had earlier signaled that Washington might refuse to provide aid to a postwar Cambodian government if it included the

Klamer Rouge.

But last weekend, the administration sent a different signal: A senior

U.S. official traveling with Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said the United States had not ruled out aid for a coalition government that included the Khmer Rouge.

Philippines to Allow Burial of Marcos

MANILA (AFP) — President Fidel V. Ramos of the Philippines said Monday that he had approved the return of the remains of the deposed dictator Ferdinand E. Marcos from Hawaii in September, ending a four-

year dispute over the corpse.
A statement issued by the presidential palace said Mr. Ramos ap-

proved a plan by Congressman Roque Ablan, representing the Marcos family, for the body to be flown directly from Honolulu on Sept. 4 or 6 to Mr. Marcos's hometown, the northern city of Laoag. "The family has requested simple funeral rites to be observed," the statement said.

Mr. Marcos was overthrown by a 1986 revolt led by Mr. Ramos and other military rebels who installed Corazon C. Aquino as president. Mr. Marcos died in Hawaii in September 1989 and his remains have since been preserved in a refrigerated crypt in Honolulu. Mrs. Aquino barred the return of his remains to the Philippines during her term, citing

Kurdish Kidnappers Set Conditions

ANKARA (Reurers) — Kurdish rebels said Monday they would release six kidnapped foreign tourists if Turkey halted military operations

against them in the southeast.

A news agency which is close to the Kurdistan Workers Party, quoted guerrilla sources as saying the four Frenchmen, a Briton and an Australian were being treated well. "The guerrilla commanders said they would release the tourists if operations stopped." the agency said.

It named the Frenchmen kidnapped Sunday from a tourist bus between the eastern towns of Van and Tarvan as Pierre Fix, 42, Michel Coudray, 40, Robert Audoin and Ferrand Harron, 66. The rebels abducted two Britons, David Rowbottom, and an Australian, Tania Jan Miller, from the Tarvan area on July 4.

Liberian Foes Sign Peace Accord

COTONOU, Benin (Reuters) — Liberia's warring factions have signed a peace accord in Benin paving the way for multiparty elections early next

year.

Enoch Dogolea, vice president of Charles Taylor's National Patriotic Front, said his faction would observe an immediate cease-fire. "On behalf of my government and because our independence day is tomorrow, we cease fire immediately as of this minute." he said at the ceremony, which ended with delegates singing the Liberian national anthem.

The United Nations estimates 150,000 people have died in a three and a half year war that has seen previous peace deals signed and broken.

NEW YORK (NYT) - A retired Pakistani general has denied that h

General Mirza Aslam Beg, who was chief of staff of the Pakistani Army

from 1988 to 1991, was quoted in a report last week as saying that

Pakistan had built a nuclear bomb and carried out a successful laboratory test of it in 1987. "Pakistan crossed the line in 1987," he was quoted as

saying by the Urdu-language newspaper Awaz International, published in London. "Pakistan carried out the test in cold laboratory conditions

The assertion was not implainable on the face of it, since Washington

Pakistani Denies N-Test Statement

had said Pakistan had tested a nuclear weapon.

within three months.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Forest fires continue to rage through Crete, the Peloponnesian Islands and southern and northern Greece. More than 3,300 hectares (7.400 acres) of forests and farmland have been destroyed since Priday. (AFP) Fuel tankers escorted by Italian police officers defied a national

truckers' strike Monday to deliver gasoline to service stations aroung Rome as the government prepared to negotiate with the strikers. Long lines built up at stations over the weekend.

Beirut's international airport was working normally with no flight cancellations reported despite Israeli air strikes across Lebanon. (AFP) The Forum of Rome will be open for public viewing after dark for the first time next week, officials announced.

RAID: Israel Intensifies Attacks

Continued from Page 1

at the same time launching Katyuhas against Israel."

"We should not underestimate Syria's influence in Lebanon," he added. If the Syrians had wanted to, he said, they could have done much more to restrain Hezbollah. Israel contends that Hezboliah, a Shiite Muslim group, is armed and financed by Iran through flights that carry weapons and other material to the Damascus airport.....

Israelis said it was no accident that warplanes had chosen as one of their first targets in the latest assault key Hezboliah communications and ammunition facilities in the Bekan, which is controlled by

"The Syrians have been maintaining military pressure on Israel. not on the Golan Heights. "but rather through proxy, using Hezbollah," said Dore Gold, an analyst at the Jaffee Center for Strategic Studies. "What Israel has done is. enter the Syrian game, saying we have a military option: If you use your proxies, we are going to re-

Israeli gunners fired more than 700 shells into Lebanese villages Monday, the state-run Israel Radio reported, while seven volleys of Hezbollah rockets fell on northern

Two Israeli soldiers were reported killed in southern Lebanon, and

peace degodations with Israel and column was moving north toward at the same time launching Katyu-

the lighting began.
Until now, Israel has refrained from a broad-scale ground opera-tion, out of fear that it could become entangled in a long-term costly battle like the 1982 way. which became highly unpopular 29

Mr. Rabin appeared to be meeting with bitle domestic resistance to the Lebanon offensive, although leftists expressed concern that it not turn into an extended cam-

Both Syrie and Lebanon regard Hezbollah, or the Party of God, as a legitimate force fighting the Israeli occupation of the "security zone" in southern Lebanon. Hezbollah carried out a series of attacks on Israeli soldiers in the buffer zone this month m which seven persons were killed. In launching

its military offensive Sunday. which it dubbed "Settling Accounts." Israel said it was avenging these deaths and trying to stop the Katvusha blitz. Israeli gunboats also attacked Palestinian camps along the Leba-

nest coast, according to news agency reports from the scene. A naval training base for the Popular Front, for the Liberation of Palestment General Command, headed by Abmed Jebal, was leveled, Israeli planes fired missiles at another Pal-estinian refugee camp near Topoli.



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Democrats Rich in Lampoonable Behavior

WASHINGTON — For 12 years, stand-up comics snacked on Republicans and their politics. But when the governor from Arkansas was elected president, comedians panicked: Was there a future for political comedy without Dan Quayle? Could Bill Clinton and his Democratic colleagues — those bustling, earnest reformers — be future?

At first, some worned.

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"I shink every political comedian was scared out of his wits," said Will Durst, a San Francisco comic. "Not only did we lose Quayle, but we thought we'd be taking on a really nice guy, an angel, a Jack Kennedy with bad hair."

There was little need to free. In almost so time, comics discovered that ridiculing Mr. Clinton's sin tax was as easy as ridiculing Mr.

Quayle's syntax.

"I've been in this business for 35 years, and I can tell you that neither party is more funny, more vintious or more villamous than the other," said Mark Russell, who does musical satire on his PBS show. "After a few months - no matter what the administration the wheels are turning, and the usual pratfalls, pitfalls and gaffes are

But although Democrats may be as amusing as Republicans, comedians say it is for very different reasons,

Jay Leno offers a tidy comic axiom: "With Democrats, you joke about sex and drinking. With Republicans, you joke about money and power.

"This politically correct business just begs to be lampooned," Mr. Russell said. "That's a very valuable contribution from the left." In fact, the Democratic piety about social reform, which some comedians feared would run them aground, has turned out to be a boon. The new Democrats are so unself-consciously determined to

do good that many comedians cannot resist slapping them around.
"These guys are hilarious," said Will Durst, a San Francisco comic. They just take themselves so seriously. They can't stand it when someone questions their intentions, or their ashrams, or their

is Stephanopolous Back Where He Belongs?

WASHINGTON - There comes a time when every young political hotshot, even one who has made his name in message and media, comes to the hard realization that you cannot spin your own life. At least not always.

One day you are George Stephanopoulos, hip young icon of the new mentocracy, a yappie prince with an Oxford degree and the ear of the president. A few months later you are a symbol of arrogant overreaching and the administration's shattered relationship with

the press, one of the pundits' prime candidates for a fall since somebody has to fall in a troubled White House.

So six weeks ago, with the near symmetry of a medieval morality play, the fall of George Stephanopoulos played out in the press. David Gergen arrived as the new White House counselor, specifically charged with improving the administration's communications. Mr. Stephanopoulos, whose final briefings with the White House press corps were marvels of reportorial ill feeling and mistrust, left the job of White House communications director and largely withdrew from the airwayes.

His friends and allies say the conventional wisdom got it wrong: This was not a fall, they say, but a strategic yanking in. Mr. Stephanopoulos moved inside, out of the briefing room, but in many ways to a more powerful job, as senior adviser to the president for

policy and strategy, they say.

"He's where he ought to be," said Paul Begala, White House political adviser. "He's where he should have been all along: at the president's side, helping move the process along helping move decisions along."

When he was communications director, many reporters felt that the White House was too clever for its own good in its handling of the press, trying to go over their heads and carry the agenda-controlling techniques of the campaign into government.

Marlin Fitzwater, White House spokesman under President George Bush, said: "I think George was a victim of the administration's initial mistake of thinking they could govern as they cam-paigned, just as the Bush administration made the mistake of thinking they could campaign as they governed."

If you make a decision that your campaign strategy is to be used

in a governing mode, you tend to think you can go over the heads of everybody." Mr. Fitzwaier added. "You go over the heads of the press. You ignore the Republicans, as they did in their budget submission. You ignore doctors and others, as they did in the health task force. And when you ignore all those components, you're going to get into trouble."

Clinton Just Doesn't Cut it in Film Critic Role

LOS ANGELES - He may be president, but as a movie critic he doesn't have marquee value.

Mr. Clinton described the new Clint Eastwood movie, "In the Line of Fire," as "a real rip-routing thriller," but Columbia Pictures decided against using the quote in its ads for the film.

The movie stars Mr. Eastwood as an aging Secret Service agent trying to foil an assessination aftempt on the president by a former CIA agent. Mr. Clinton attended a screening last week at the White

Later, he told Larry King of CNN, "I thought Eastwood was terrific," adding that he "liked the movie very much" and thought "it was as realistic as it could be and still be a real rip-maring thriller." Columbia executives considered putting the quote in newspaper advertisements but decided against it. The producers thought the quote might look strange alongside those of such common reviewers as Joel Siegel ("Movies don't get more exciting than this!") and Siskel & Ebert ("Two big thumbs up!").

(AP)

Quete/Unquete

James Carville, a Clinton adviser, on the recent travails of Mr. Stephanopoulos: "I think the press enjoys a good fall, and particularly a good fall by someone who's younger and more successful and better looking than they are. That really turns em ou."

Away From Politics

 Employees of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration have been notified that the scaled-back space station approved by President Bill Clinton will mean the loss of about 2,000 jobs among federal workers.

Sulfuric acid leaking from a railroad tank ear in Richmon California, forced the evacuation of an industrial area and closure of several major streets in the city, near San Francisco. At least seven people were treated at for respiratory problems after breathing the corrosive fumes, officials said.

A small boot built for five crowded with a family of nine sank on a river outing near Perryville, Arkansas, and two adults and five children died.

• About 100 fishing boots maintained a blockade Monday around the Russian factory ship Pioneer Murman off Shelburne, Canada, to protest foreign fishing in Canadian waters.

• A new trial is being sought to clear the name of R. Budd Dwyer, the Pennsylvania state treasurer who committed suicide at a news conference in 1987 the day before he was to be sentenced in a bribery-conspiracy case. A twin-engine Cessua crashed into an open field near Lancaster.

California, killing all on board. Investigators said that charted remains indicated there were four to six people in the plane. Rattlesnakes bit three anateur handlers on their hands at an annual snake hunt at West Newton, Pennsylvania, forcing doctors to scram-

ble to find enough anti-venin. They did.

As Those in Straggler Van Know, First Jogger Is No Slouch

By Richard L. Berke

WASHINGTON - Representative Bob Filter stopped jogging about four years ago because of a bad back. But when word came that President Bill Clinton planned to spend the night in San Diego, the freshman lawmaker didn't think twice about inviting himself along for an early morning iaunt on Coronado beach.

Not timid about seizing a political op-portunity, Mr. Filner, 50, said: "It's a status thing. I thought there'd be some interesting pictures taken that I could use to

speedy that day because he did not want to be shown up by a group of Navy Seals who had joined them. So Mr. Filner, out of breath and out of shape, dropped out after the first of four miles (6.4 kilometers). The

Politicians like Mr. Filner may think New Balance has something to do with the
New World Order, and they may never
But like Mr. Filner, many wo exercise, but they can't seem to resist trying to jog with the president. Even the president of South Korea, Kim Young Sam, three eight-minute miles. The White House along like a caboose," she said. "I thought talk about in a fun way with my constitu- to jog with the president. Even the presi-Little did the California Democrat know insisted on jogging with Mr. Clinton when now provides a "straggler van" to pick up it was an opportunity to see the president

"looked like a hig lug," would outpace and delicate negotiations over speed, timing outlast him. The president was unusually and dress. Aides, fearful that his usual baggy shorts would offend Koreans, had

borrow some presidential prestige, others only pictures his constituents saw were come to build goodwill with the president cartoons in the local paper poking fun at or to lobby him on particular issues. Rahinowitz, a White House aide, "is bigger

But like Mr. Filner, many would-be run-

dent is no slug.

"On TV, be looks a little like he's plod-Mr. Clinton put on a full-length running ding along but it's not like a stroll in the park," said Dec Dee Myers, the White Some politicians are seeking simply to House press secretary, who no longer jogs

with the president because he's too fast. struggler van, Richard Riordan, the mayor of Los Angeles, also ended up in it.

So did Representative Cynthia McKinners underestimate the president's endur- ney. Democrat of Georgia, who had not

that Mr. Clinton, whom he thought the president was in Scoul last week after people who conk out. And aides try to laid back and kicking back. But he was "looked like a big lug," would outpace and delicate negotiations over speed, timing warm prospective runners that the president was in Scoul last week after people who conk out. And aides try to laid back and kicking back. But he was "looked like a big lug," would outpace and delicate negotiations over speed, timing warm prospective runners that the president was in Scoul last week after people who conk out. And aides try to laid back and kicking back. But he was

Some politicians koow their limits, like Representative Lynn Schenk, Democrat of California. The White House, wanting to be even-handed, asked her to jog with the president after Mr. Filner invited himself to lobby him on particular issues.

Judy Collins, the singer and political along during the president's trip to California, Though Representative Schenk, 38, clearly envied Mr. Filner for the extra time he got with the president, she turned down

> "I am not a jogger," she said. "I'm not a photo opportunity kind of person. I am at an age where I have better sense than to make a fool of myself."

No End to the Water, Or to the New Rains

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispusches ST. LOUIS, Missouri - Volunteers battled against time on Monday to raise floodwalls as new thonderstorms hit the Midwest, bringing fears of even higher flood

Storms brought 4.1 inches (10 centimeters) of rain overnight at Funk, Nebraska, and a tornado warning was issued for parts of south-central Nebraska, the National Weather Service said.

Waters breached sections of levees holding back the rivers, flooding farmlands and forcing evacuation of towns in northwestern Missouri and parts of Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska

About 8 miles (13 kilometers) west of Topeka, Kansas, a levee shielding Silver Lake from the Kansas River continued to soften and was expected to break sometime Monday, officials said. Water had pushed under the levee in three spots and bubbled up through dirt roads leading to the levee.

were in jeopardy on the southern er, said Joel Burgio, meteorologis edge of Silver Lake, a town of with Weather Services Corp. about 1,400 people.

Louis and points south.

normal. But with more rains ex- ty. pected, officials may be forced to

raise the estimate of the crest still

higher. In Missouri and Illinois, officials believed they had a week to shore up levees and hope for the best before waters crest at record levels

So far, 41 people have been killed in six weeks of floods, tens of thousands have been displaced and 16,000 square miles (41,400 square kilometers) of cropland inundated in cight states.

Flood damage is estimated at be-tween \$10 billion and \$12 billion but some economists fear total losses may exceed that of Hurri-cane Andrew last year of about \$25 billion. If so, it would make the

disaster in U.S. history.

The upper Mississippi Valley is forecast to receive up to an inch and a half of rain over the next two days, with more than two inches likely in some areas, which will spill into the rivers.

"I think that crest could be a About 200 evacuated homes little bit later and a little bit high-

Workers plan to pour more con-Volunteers piled sandbags crete Monday around a retaining around homes and shops along the wall in north St. Louis to prevent Mississippi in preparation for a re-further movement and seepage. On cord crest downstream near St. Friday, river water seeped under the structure and caused it to till. A crest of 48 feet (14.6 meters) is The wall protects a large area of expected on Monday, 18 feet above commercial and industrial proper-

(Rewers, AP, NYT)

U.S. Plans Major Boost In Aid to Working Poor

New York Times Service

HOUSTON - Overshadowed by the fight over raising taxes and enting the federal deficit are plans by both houses of Congress to add form billions of dollars to a government the Clinton administration casts as a "pay raise for the working poor."

The House has already passed President Bill Clinton's proposal for an expansion of the program, known as the earned-income tax

The House bill provides for a \$28.3-billion rise over the next five years in what is now an \$11 billiona-year program. That would represent the largest anti-poverty measnre taken by the federal government since the mid-1970s. It would both increase current benefits and expand the number of

workers eligible, to 20 million from the present 14 million. The Senate bill, though smaller - an \$18.2 billion increase over five years — would still raise spending on the program by more

The 18-year-old tax credit is a program favored not just by bberals but also by many moderates and conservatives, largely because it is the primary anti-poverty mea-sure that specifically rewards poor

people for working. Under the Clinton plan, minimum-wage workers with two or more children would receive nearly \$4 in governmen) payments for every \$10 of the first \$8,500 they earn orking up from a maximum of

\$2.50 now. The question now is not so much whether the House and Senate versions can be reconciled - congressional negotiators agree they can and should be - but whether the compromise expansion being thrashed out in Congress will be held hostage to an overall budget agreement Without the larger plan, the expansion of the tax credit would be in jeopardy.

Veronica Martinez, a 23-year old Houston mother of three, is one of 14 million people who claimed the credit on her tax form this year. Ms. Martinez earns \$4.50 an hour as a grocery checkout clerk. Her pay (25 cents over minimum wage) makes her eligible now for a \$2.15

By Sam Howe Verhovek credit for every \$10 she earns. Under the Clinton plan, she would become eligible for \$3.60 for every

Devised about 20 years ago by former Senator Russell B. Long. Democrat of Louisiana, the tax anti-poverty program, a move that credit has thrived and been expanded over the years in the service of a remarkably diverse set of goals, though all of them still aim at helping the poor.

It has been portrayed as a means to offset an increase in Social Security payroll taxes and to help poor ilies with child-care costs. It has been expanded twice to make up for Congress's mability to agree on an increase in the minimum wage Now Mr. Clinton wants to use it, in his words, to "make work pay."

As broad as his proposal is, it would stop short of the campaign pledge be made that all families with a full-time worker be guaranteed enough money to live above the poverty line, now defined as a yearly income of \$11,500 for a famly of three, \$14,750 for a family of

About five million Americans work 40-hour-a-week jobs but remain below the line, the Census Bureau reports.



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TOKYO — Japan's longtime governing parts and opposition groups rushed Monday to support a plan for change offered by two parties whose votes could determine whether power will change hands for the first time in 38 years.

Both the Liberal Democratic Party, which tost its majority in parliament in elections July 18, and an opposition coalition are trying to win over the Japan New Party and its smaller ally, the New Harbinger Party.

If the two parties stay neutral, the Liberal Democrats have enough votes in the 511-seat lower house to form a minority government and keep the power it has held since 1955.

But if swing parties unite with the other five opposition parties, the opposition will take power. Five opposition parties have endorsed the two new parties' proposals to clean up political corruption, which were made Friday.

At a hastily convened executive committee meeting Monday, the leading opposition Socialists became the last of the five to give their approval.

The Liberal Democrats also say they back the reform plan, and the party plans to call a meeting of all its fegislators for final approval Tuesday.

The new parties' leaders bad indicated last week that they would join the opposition regardless of what the Liberal Democrats did, and a meeting of non-Liberal Democratic Party chiefs had been scheduled Thursday.

But the New Harbinger Party leader, Masayoshi Takemura, said Monday that he wanted to put off the Thursday meeting.

The key plank of the new parties' anni-corruption plan is a revamping of the election district system for the lower house into a combination of single-member districts and proportional repre-sentation. The Liberal Democratic Party has debated that system inconclusively for more than

With the current multimember districts, candidates from the same party end up running against each other, shifting the focus from issues to prom-

62 of 106 Aboard Are Believed Dead As South Korea Jet Crashes in Storm

SEOUL - A South Korean airliner carrying 100 passengers and crew members on a domestic flight crashed Monday while trying to land in heavy rain and high winds. Airline officials said at least 44 people had survived.

The Asiana Airlines Boeing 737 was en route from Seoul to the southwestern coastal city of Mokpo when it plowed into a wooded hillside at 3:50 P.M., police and aviation officials said.

The police said the plane had gone down in a rainstorm while trying to land about 50 kilometers 130 miles south of Mokpo, on a

Most of the survivors are in serious condition, according to news

It was the first major aircraft accident in Korea since a Korean Airlines plane crashed on takeoff in 1989, resulting in 40 deaths and injuries. It was the first accident for

ond-largest carrier.

A flight attendant, Park Jin Ah, 23, said the plane was making its third landing attempt when it hit

sound soon after the pilot's announcement that we were about to land," she said. There was heavy fog and poor visibility, she added Kim Hyong Kyun, a 30-year-old airline official on the plane, said: "I

plane was broken in two pieces, and my wife was under her seat." He escaped with minor bruises. His wife also survived, but ber injuries were not immediately known. An airline official, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the passenger list indicated that three

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LONDON — The police on Monday detained Tony Banks of the opposition Labor Party, who chained himself to a railing outside Norway House to protest Norway's decision to resume commercial whaling after a six-year halt. Mr. Banks later was released without persons on the plane were Japanese

charge.

The Norwegian Embassy said it was surprised by the protest.

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follows a report by Western arms experts to the United Nations Security Council earlier this year al-

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According to the report, the equipment was being exported via Singapore when the Singapore gov-ernment agreed to block the ship-

Najib Tun Razak, the Malaysian defense minister, said he would order an investigation into the mat-

The U.S. official said that there were some dual-use items that had come out of Southeast Asia, but declined to identify source coun-

"One of those items came up today and we had encouraging news that the government was tak-ing measures of a forceful nature to

bring it under control," he added. Mr. Christopher said that the need for strong international ef-forts to combat the spread of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery was at the top of DIVORCE IN ONE DAY by mol PO Box 88, Northampton NN6 94 UK. 161 -44 601 28552, Fox +44 601 the Clinton administration's security agenda for Asia.

He said that the United States was determined to see a nonnuclear Korean Peninsula. "Our vigilance will not cease short of North Korea's full compliance with all of its obligations," Mr. Christoper add-

Earlier this month, Japan declined to join the United States and other Western nations in endorsing an indefinite extension of the treaty when it expires in 1995. This raised concerns among other Asian nations that Tokyo was leaving open the option for developing nuclear arms should North Korea do so.

Mr. Clinton announced on July 3 that he was extending by at least 15 months a moratorium on U.S. underground nuclear testing provided Russia, France, Britain and China also refrained from tests.

A U.S. official said that on Sunday Qian Qichen, the Chinese for-eign minister, had handed a letter to Mr. Christopher on the test ban issue from Zhiang Zemin, the Chinese president.

The U.S. official quoted Mr. Qian as saying that China would give positive consideration to Mr. Clinton's proposal and was ready to consult with America and other nations on a comprehensive test

VISA: **Hopes Deflated**

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invest in the United States if they weren't subject to taxation on their worldwide income," a Washington immigration lawyer, Michael Maggio, said. "Since this law became effective, the only clients five had who were seriously interested in investor visas have been people who've been in the United States for at least three years but do not have valid visas.

Also using the investor visa are families who send one "anchor relative." When that person becomes a permanent resident, a pention can bring in other relatives.

"People who are interested in immigrating to the United States are well aware of all the avenues." said an Immigration Service spokesman, Rick Kinney, "Anyone who has a million and wants to immigrate can probably get himself a good immigration lawyer."

If so, that lawyer is likely to ex-

plain a loophole in the 1990 immigration act that makes it easier for loreigners to enter the country as transferred business executives, a visa category with no requirements for investment or job creation and one that can confer permanent resi-

podio Vii-liii Ukraine Offers Nuclear Deal It Asks 'Transition' Status for Accepting Ban

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

KIEV - As sentiment grows in Ukraine to keep the nuclear weapons on its territory and to delay ratification of disarmament treaties, the country's defense minister has suggested that Ukraine might try to join the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty with a special status - that of a "transition country" possessing nuclear weapons.

The defense minister, General Konstantin Morozov, spoke in an interview before leaving on a trip lo Washington, where on Monday be began two days of talks with Pentagon officials. General Morozov appeared to be searching for

middle ground between the position of hard-liners in the Ukrainian parliament, who have threatened to reject the 1970 nonproliferation treaty, and appeals from Washington that Ukraine keep its pledge to join the treaty as a country free of nuclear arms. When the Soviet Umon broke apart in December

1991. Ukraine officially became the world's third-largest nuclear power. Today, 176 long-range missiles and 30 bombers, with a total of 1,656 nuclear warheads or bombs, remain in Ukraine. Control over the weapons is in Russian hands.

Ukrainian authorities have repeatedly told Washington they are not trying to seize control of the weapons.

There has been speculation in the West, based on reports from Moscow, that Ukraine is trying to develop op the ability to fire the weapons.

U.S. intelligence agencies have estimated that
Ukraine could acquire technological ability to fire the

missiles in 12 to 18 months. "We can join the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty and support all the provisions, but as a state that has temporary status of a country with nuclear armaments on its territory that are being destroyed," General Morozov said. "We are now in a transition period. And I think, theoretically, it is possible for Ukraine to get the status of n transition country."

President Leonid M. Kravchuk and his government pledged last year that Ukraine would unequivocally ratify both the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty, a 199f agreement between the United States and the Soviet Union on reducing nuclear warheads, and the 1970 treaty to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons.

Western experts here say that for Ukraine to sign the nonproliferation treaty it must do so as a nonnu-

clear nation, like other new signers. But the defense chief seemed to suggest that Ukraine would not threaten the legitimacy of the treaty if it was viewed as a nuclear heir "in transition" rather than as a

"proliferator." In offering a new position, which Western experts here said had not previously been described by senior Ukrainian officials, General Morozov seemed to be beeding nationalist sentiment in the Ukrainian parliament, where euphoria over independence has given way to mistrust of Russian intentions.

Like the U.S. Congress, the Ukrainian parliament is empowered to decide on ratification of nuclear

General Morozov repeatedly emphasized in the interview that the decision on whether Ukraine would declare itself a nuclear power was up to parliament. "It is very difficult for me to predict what the parliament will decide," he said.

Ukraine's stance on nuclear weapons is considered crucial because its failure to ratify the nonproliferation treaty and the 1991 strategic arms reduction treaty, called START-1, would result in the scuttling of the follow-up START-2 treaty and could increase

regional tensions.

In a suggestion that partiament had hardened its position on the nuclear issue, its influential Foreign Affairs Committee released a document two weeks ago declaring, for the first time, that the ninclear weapons inherited from the Soviet Union and stationed on Ukrainian soil were the sole property of

Ukraine.

Ukraine's top leaders have since wavered on the commitments they made last year. Prime Ministen a Leonid S. Kuchma, who headed Ukraine's biggest missile factory until be entered politics last year, said in a private meeting with lawmakers in May that Ukraine should declare itself a nuclear nation and temporarily keep part of the former Soviet arsenal. In a separate interview. Environment Minister Yuri Ukraine.

In a separate interview, Environment Minister Yuri Kostenko, a lawmaker who heads a partiamentary group analyzing the nuclear treaties, said the United States should understand that Russia's policies of political and economic pressure were without any doubt whatsoever a threat against Ukraine's territoria

Ukraine needs help to create "collective security" before giving up the miclear weapons, Mr. Kostenko

3 Police Held In Murders of 7 Rio Children

RIO DE JANEIRO Three members of Brazil's military police have been arrested in connection with the killing of seven homeless children as they slept in the streets of the city's center, officials said Monday.

The three were arrested Sunday night after they were identified by four children and a homeless man who survived the attack Friday ontside a

The commander of the military police, Colonel Carlos Magno Nazareth Cerqueira, said off-duty agents were sus-pected of having acted under orders of business owners in the historic center, uncomfortable with the robberies and holdups carried out by the mi-

The bomeless man, Wagner dos Santos, said that the night of the killings, Lieutenant Marcelo Ferreirn Cortes forced him into a car, where he was shot in the arm. The other two police officers arrested were Marcus Vinicius Emanuel and Clandio Luiz Andrade do Santos.

Manila Thrilla

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death threats they use round-theclock bodyguards and vary office hours and travel.

At last count, more than 22,000 people have filed 689 civil suits seeking damages from Pepsi, plus more than 5,200 criminal complaints for fraud and deception, the company says. Only a handful of trials have begun, but the nation's appeals court this month upheld arrest orders against 10 local Pepsi executives. The company has appealed, and no arrests have been

Even more remarkably, in a country crippled by daily electric blackonts, endemic corruption and poverty that is among the most pervasive in Asia, the only protests that regularly draw angry crowds Pepsi. In ways the government never could, the anti-Pepsi fever has brought together Communist rebels and army generals, welfdressed Manila matrons and bare-

foot peasants. All hold 349 caps. Kenneth Ross, spokesman for Pepsi-Cola International, which owns 19 percent of the local bottime company, said the company's position was clear. "We will not be held hostage to extortion and terrorism." he said in a telephone in-But unlike Pepsi's cool crisis

terview from Purchase, New York. management in the United States after false reports spread that sy-ringes had been found in Pepsi cans, company officials in the Philippioes panicked. When mobs rioted after the bottle-cap error was announced, frightened executives decided at a predawn meeting to offer \$20 in peace to anyone with a

They made two mistakes," said one official, who like all local Pepsi employees asked not to be identi-fied. "You should never make a decision at 3 A.M. And they thought it was a few thousand peo-

ple at most.". To their horror, at least 486,170 can-holders already have flooded in Pepsi, which had budgeted only \$2 million for prizes, had to pay \$10 million more for all the \$20 consolation prizes, which it calls a goodwill gesture."

General Ridgway Dies, Led in Europe, Korea

By Albin Krebs New York Times Service

General Matthew B. Ridgway, 98, who planned and executed the first airborne assault in U.S. Army history, jumped into battle with his paratroopers on D-Day and later commanded the forces that drove back Communist troops in Korea. died Monday in his home in Fox Chapel, Pennsylvania, near Pitts-

General Ridgway died in his sleep, his attorney said. Matthew Bunker Ridgway was also a soldier-diplomat who served as supreme commander of Allied

forces in Europe; and of United S Nations forces in the Korean War. Although he was otherwise known as an unflamboyant officer, he allowed himself one eccentricity that became a Ridgway trademark: he pioned hand grenades to his hattle jacket.

"Some people thought I wore the " grenades as a gesture of showmanship," he said years later. "This was not correct. They were purely utilitarian. Many a time, in Europe and Korea, men in tight spots blasted their way out with grenades."

He graduated from West Point in 1917. In 1925 he was given his first overseas assignment, com-mand of a company of the 15th Infantry in Tientsin, now Tianjin,

Later, General Ridgway came under the wing of George C. Mar-shall, then a brigadier general, who was chief of staff-designate. In Sep-tember 1939, when World War II erupted in Europe, he was detailed to the war plans division of the War Department's general staff in mander of the lighth Arms with Washington, a much-desired as was then, after having been food signment, since it was from that to retreat to the tip of the sor

By August 1942 he was in com-mand of the newly reactivated 82d. Walker's successor.

fn the spring of 1943, he planned as part of the invasion of Sicily, the first major night airborne operation ever attempted. of the island.

That first great airborne attack made military history, but it was carried out with severe losses. arried out with severe losses. appointed chief of staff, serving un-Although General Ridgway did til 1955, when he retired.



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General Matthew Ridgway at the time of the Korean War.

. not jump into battle with his troops in the Sicilian campaign, he insisted on a combat jump over France the night before D-Day, June 6, 1944. The citation to the Oak Leaf cluster to his Distinguished Service Cross said that in the Normandy jump he "exposed himself continuously to fire.

A few months later, he was given command of the new 18th Airborne Corps and directed its operation in the vicinity of Eindhovens, the Netherlands, in the Ardenges forest, along the Rhine and itte Germany.

By late 1950 he was a lienter general, serving in the Petrostal death in Korea, of Licensens General Walton Walker, comdivision that senior officers were Peninsula fighting its way black by selected for higher command. ward the 38th parallel. General

for fantry Division, and when it became one of the army's first two airborne divisions, he remained in as allied commander in the Form command and won his paratrooper East in 1951. General Ridgway succeeded him but continued to direct operations of UN troops in Kerea. where the war was winding flows toward a truce. The following year he succeeded General Dwight D. The invasion, beginning July 10. Eisenhower as supreme command 1943, resulted in the rapid conquest er of Allied forces in Europe, a position calling for political and diplomatic as well as military skills. In 1953, General Ridgway was

CONSTITUTION: Draft Plan

Continued from Page 1 ple, including two policemen, have been murdered in one cluster of

black townships east of Johannes-

While some of the recent killings have had obvious political or ethnic targets, others have been of a random variety, leading to renewed speciation that agents provocateurs, perhaps rogue state security agents, are formenting violence in the hope of derailing democracy

On Monday night, the multiparry negotiating forum that is steer-ing South Africa toward a new political order anammously adopted a resolution condensing the "bar-baric" violence and pledging to "resist this and all other attempts to disrupt negotiations."

However, the forum did less well

the election date and the draft constitution.

The Conservative Party leader, Ferdi Hartzenberg, said Monday that his party would not return to talks and would seek to set up a breakaway constitutional conven-

The Conservative Party wants a separate state in which citizenship rights would be restricted to Alrikaners, whites of Dutch, German and French Huguenot descent who make up less than 10 percent of South African population. Multiparty negotiators have made it clear this is unacceptable.

The Inkatha Freedom Party and the government of the homeland of KwaZulu want guarantees of strong regional powers for a Zukabased amonomous or semisurono-However, the forum did less well mous region. Democracy negotiating the consensus department when tors say they believe that the draft of it came to-s draft constitution. document has gone a long way to-Three of forum's 26 members - ward accommodating their interthe Conservative Party, the Inkatha ests, but government negotiators Freedom Party and the KwaZulu said Monday night that they would government — all continued their press for changes to further sek boycott, to protest both strengthen regional powers.

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Serbs and Croats Urged to Expand **Land for Muslims**

By Paul Lewis New York Times Service

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GENEVA - International mediators are planning to ask the leaders of the Serbian and Croatian communities in Bosnia-Herzegovina to improve their partition planby giving more land to the belea-

-This move came as the Muslims prepared for talks that their foes warned might be the last chance of averting outright military defeat, officials said here Monday.

officials and near Monday.

At the talks, opening here Tuesday, the mediators will press the Bosnian Serbs and Croats to give President Alija Izetbegovic, the Muslim leader, at least 30 percent of the former multiethnic Yugoslav

Under their present offer, the Muslims would get about 26 percent of the land and more than 50

percent of the industry.

The mediators also want the Muslims to have assured access to the Adriatic Sea and a major river. President Izetbegovic has resist-he new joint Serbian-Croatian

r to divide Bosnia-Herzegovina. a loose confederation of free

ric states, preferring instead a te unified multiethnic solution. int Lord Owen and Thorwald Itenberg, the mediators, think will go along with the plan if he offered more land and guaraninte the fierce Serbian attacks Sarajevo, adding, "If there is a way sainst United Nations peacekeep- out this delegation will find it." ainst United Nations peacekeeps and Bosnian troops around Sa-jevo in violation of the latest

ase-fire, the United States and its

lies will not exercise launch retal-

may be the last chance the Muslims get to obtain even a tripartite divi-sion of Bosnia.

"If this does not come off within the next week, the offer of a con-federal solution will not be on the table," he said.

Instead, he warned that "the right for the Serb cause" would be handed over" to General Rarko Mladic, the Serbian military commander, who will set about annihilating the Bosnian Army and driving the Muslims into exile.

Both General Mladic and Radovan Karadjie, the Bosnian Serbian leader, bave repeatedly warned the Muslims in recent days that they "will be left with nothing at all" if they do not quickly accept the new

This raises the spector of a "Palestinian crisis" crupting in the middle of Europe.

After twice postponing the new talks because of continued assault at Sarajevo and other Muslim strongholds, President Izetbegovic finally arrived in Geneva on Monday with several other members of Bosnia's collective presidency, which includes Serbs and Croats as well as Muslims, and beld a first meeting with Lord Owen and Mr.

We're leaving with hope and fear-but with a strong determinaid a viable state that could surtion to find an escape from the as an independent entity.

The mediators believe that deturn the Bosnian leader said on leaving

The talks will be enlarged to include Mr. Karadjic and Mate Boban, leader of the Bosnian Croats. while in the evening the mediators and the representatives of the three the latest peace talks.

Last Friday, Lord Owen, who is a European Community's media-



A Serb in the royalist Chetnik forces dining alfresco Sunday near the town of Kalinovik in Bosnia.

The mediators say they plan to keep the parties in the civil war here

for as long as it takes.

President Izetbegovic's arrival
had been in doubt until the last minute because of the Sunday upsurge in shooting. But Sarajevo was reported quiet Monday by the United Nations and the hill in the fighting appeared to be holding. In May, the mediators abandoned as unrealistic their earlier

hopes of setting up a more united, federal Bosnia based on 10 ethni-

cally mixed provinces after the military alliance between Croats and Muslims collapsed irreversibly.

■ UN General Warns Serbs The commander of United Nations peacekeeping troops io Bos-nia-Herzegovina denounced Serbs on Monday after the heaviest at-tack yet on a UN base in Bosnia.

and he ordered retaliation in case of recurrence, The Associated Press reported from Sarajevo.
"I canoot allow the lives of my ing out a mission of peace."

soldiers to be put in danger," said Lieuteoant General Francis Briquemoot of Belgium. "We will defend them if necessary."

General Briquemont rejected a Serbian assertioo that the attack Sunday was the work of "provocateurs" in the Muslim forces. Complaining of "direct fire from Serb tanks" and artillery, General

Briquemont said: "I am angry at this betrayal. I canoot accept that my troops are fired on while carry-

In Nicaragua, New Intrigue Army Complicity in Rebel Raid Suggested Esteli as another sign that the country's transition to democracy is veering toward failure say

ESTELI, Nicaragua — At iirst blush, the attack of former Sandinista soldiers against this provincial town appeared to be a simple affair, but almost as soon Nicaraguan politics. as the guns went quiet, a darker picture of intrigue and betrayal

Diplomats say that a closer examination of the attack strongly suggests complicity at the highest levels of the country's army, which remains under Sandinista control although the Sandinista National Liberation

began to emerge.

By Howard W. French

New York Times Service

Front lost the elections in 1990. Many residents of this town, long a Sandinista bastion, say they believe that the attack last week was planned by, mounted by and ended with the involvement of the country's armed forces. The resurrected Sandinistas, who used to refer to one another as compañeros, now call themselves the "recompas." "From inside it sounded as if

the Vietnam War was being fought all over again," said one of the town's businessmen, de-scribing the Nicaraguan Army's recapture of Esteli on Thursday amid helicopters firing rockets and thick streams of automaticweapoos fire. "But when you took a peek outside, you realized that most of the shooting was aimed at the sky. Then, when the government decided they wanted to end it, suddenly they just cleaned up.

Io the capital, Maoagua, dip-lomats said the attack on Esteli had been openly planned for weeks by a former Sandinista major, Victor Manuel Gallegos. He escaped unharmed with a reported \$4 million stolen from local banks.

Diplomats and many Nicaraguans who see the fighting in

the attack on the town reveals the complex layers of rivalry and betrayal common in the increasingly violent shadow games of

The army commander, General Humberto Ortega Saavedra, a Sandinista whose retention of his command after the oppositioo won democratic elections in 1990 has been a steady source of tension, strongly denied army in-volvement in the attack on the

Instead, he proclaimed the operation a great success for the

This whole thing is about as cynical as you can get.

A diplomat in Managua

army and condemned the government for creating cooditions that were breeding violence io the country.
For months, the 78,000 demo-

bilized Sandinista soldiers and 23,000 former contra rebels have been grumbling that despite a series of pardons and promises of economic aid the government has done little to generate eco-nomic growth or help in their return to productive civilian life. Some diplomats and Nicara-

guans say General Ortega, the hrother of Daniel Ortega Saave-dra, the president under Sandinista rule, faced mounting opposition from disgruntled former Sandinista soldiers who had fallen under the sway of the more radical elements of their political

General Oriega recently urged President Violeta Barrios de Chamorro to extend a pardon to more radical Sandinista elements in an effort to neutralize them,

diplomats said. Having failed to obtain the pardon, the diplomats say. General Ortega allowed the recompas' attack oo Esteli to proceed. even though it had been publicly

announced at least two weeks in Supporting this view, the dip-lomats say, is the fact that the buses carrying the 120 or so re-compas into Esteli passed unmolested by the army camp at the city's gates. Furthermore, soldiers based in and around the town waited at least three hours

When the time came to put an end to the operation, army sol-diers killed a reported 41 of the rebels, who many say had been ied to expect more genile irealment by their former comrades. In one sweep, diplomats said. General Ortega eliminated po-tentially troublesome rivals and positioned himself as savior of

the nation's order and security. "This whole thing is about as cynical as you can get." said a

Latin American diplomat. While the army has flirted with the recompas, Nicaragua's conservative politicians have forged ties with the former contras, formerly supported by the United States, who now call themselves recontras They too have increasingly begun to take up arms.

Operating in a broad band of territory in the north of the country, the recontras, who claim to number 4,800 but are widely believed to be considerably fewer, have many of the same grievances as their former Sandinista enemies: the lack of land, credits

J.S. Confident It Now Holds Key New York Bomb Plotters

New York Times Service NEW YORK - Federal offiials say they have identified and arrested the core group of people involved in a thwarted plot to bomb the United Nations, traffic nunnels and other sites in New

York City. The investigators said the main roundup had been completed with the arrest of Matarawy Miliam, med Said Saleh, It is accepted the said, that there are others in large

ary. Mr. Saleh, 44, a welder who immigrated from Egypt, was arrested Friday in New Jersey.

Defense lawyers in both cases say they believe prosecutors are trying to link the two plots in a racketeering indictment that would pull in Sheikh Omar Abdel Raliman, an Egyptian cleric appealing deportation orders, and Sayyid A. Nosair, who is in prison on a weap-ons conviction selated to the 1991 morder of Rabbi Meir Kalame. who might have played some role in the plot and also the bombing of the World Trade Center in February and to Mr. Nosair.

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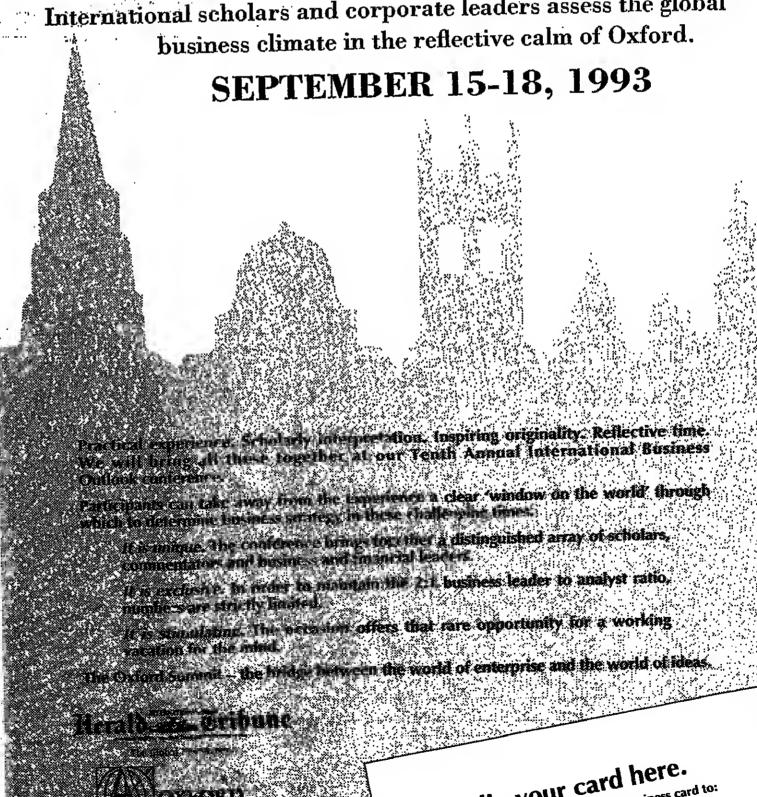
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For a Civilized Cambodia

What to do with the Communist Khmer Rouge, authors of Cambodia's genocide of the 1970s, who hang on diminished but still capable of new crimes against use and order? They boycotted and sought to disrupt the UN-supervised elections of May and reneged on their commitment to disarm. But now they hiot at readiness to call off their insurgency if Prince Norodom Sihanouk, restored as head of state, will somehow bring theor in out of the cold. The prince, who has shown that he deeply distrusts the Khmer Rouge has nonetheless been inspecting terms. He would not give them an unearmed share of official power, it is said. but for purposes of reconciliation he might

deal with them unofficially in the wings. Even this latter possibility has been enough to set off tremors in Washington. The Clinton administration has warned Prince Sihanouk that U.S. aid to a government with Khmer Rouge in it would be at risk. The prince showed some irritation to get this caution. The changes that the Americans demand from the Khmer Rouge, however, are quite like those he himself demands: they must abandon their zone of control, and they must disarm. These demands are minimal and reasonable. Khmer Rouge

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who accepted them would be very different from the Khmer Rouge of today. An expenenced operator like Prince Sihanouk can yet find a way to use American opposition to the Khmer Rouge for good Cambodian purposes.

In fact, containing the Khmer Rouge is oot his biggest immediate problem. That would have to be keeping the election winner, the weakly armed royalist opposition led by a son of the prince, in political harness with the powerfully armed sitting government led by a

furmer Khmer Rouge guerrilla.
All this maneuvering is by way of preparing
Cambodia for life without its resident 18month United Nations presence. The UN mandate to carry the country from civil war to prospective free-market democracy expires on Aug. 1. On its way out of its largest and tentatively its most effective peacekeeping mission, the United Nations could do Cambodia a parting favor. It could finance the local armed forces - thus deterring a turn to ban-ditry - for the few months until an internationally packaged recovery program kicks in. Cambodia needs help in dealing with the Khmer Rouge and with much eise.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

Watching Secular Turkey

Salman Rushdie affair, some in places where they stand to create considerable mischief. Not long ago in Turkey, a country long known for a determinedly secularist governing phi-iosophy, 37 people died to a hotel fire set by a mob that was trying, authorities said, to lynch a 75-year-old poet who had translated parts of Mr. Rushdie's "The Satanic Verses." The dead were mostly poets and writers, in the central Anatolian city of Sivas to attend a conference on a 16th century Ottoman poet who had opposed that regune. "The Satanic Verses" is banned in Turkey, and the poet, Aziz Nesin, got in trouble last fall for translating and publishing excerpts from it in a magazine he edits. But the other stated cause of the recent violence, which Turkish government

people are hinting was orchestrated, was that Mr. Nesin had given an "openly atheist" speech to the conference the day before. This was the worst sectaman religious incident in Turkey since 1978, when the country was torn apart by unrest has finally brought oo the 1980 nulltary cour and its aftermath has been troubling. Some government officials, and many newspapers, have taken the line that. while freedom of speech is important. Mr. Nesin "provoked" the attack with his speech. In it he is said to have argued that religion should be modernized and people need not obey scriptures - as it trappens, not only views held by large oumbers of Turkey's Westernized

elites but also substantial parts of the modern

nation's founding philosophy and that of its revered founder. Mustafa Kemal Ataturk

Mr. Nesin, the author of some 75 books of poetry, satire and short stories, has been for decades one of Turkey's most popular if consistently left-wing writers. That makes it more peculiar yet that conservative religious students at an Istanbul university were reported to have rallied with cries that Mr. Nesin "now has been given his penalty" and that "it must be carried out," or that Iran took advantage of the situation to proclaim that all the Nesin books are now banned in fran, where they have been widely popular in translation.

There is an important distinction, of course, between secularism in the sense of hostility to religion and secularism as a form of government neutral toward it. But how robust is secular government when the expression of secular sentiments carries this degree of danger? Longtime Turkey-watchers point out that the Rushdie issue, with the uniquely inflammatory life it has taken on, is a bad case hy which to gauge any Muslim country's commitment to tolerance. But that quality also makes the issue a wild card, capable of creating unforeseen havor in otherwise placid places. At a time when the West holds up the "Turkish model," secular and democratic, as an example for the Middle East and the new Central Asian countries, it is an understatement to say that the bealth of secularism in Turkey is something to watch with care.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

When This Flood Ends

ca's Midwest. Rivers are rising in some places. receding in others. But throughout the vast central watershed, the problems have barely begun. Homes and farms, city streets and country roads are coated with millions of tons of chocolate-colored muck, sewage and contaminating chemicals. Thousands of people have no shelter of their own. The unluckiest have been flooded out twice, even three times, in the weeks of raio. This was, and still is, the Great Flood of 1993.

On the grand scale or natural disasters, this may not have been America's worst - and definitely is not the world's worst. Even now there are more than 2000 dead and millions bomeless from monsoon floods in India, Bangladesh and Nepal. But comparison is no comfort to the families in lowa. Missouri and a half-dozen other states, suddenly vulnerable. overwhelmed by forces beyond human control,

President Bill Clinton said it well when he visited the flood area for the third time: There is almost a collective emotional process that people go through when it first hits. Folks are brave and good-bumored and courageous. But then the reality of the losses sinks in, and a grief takes over "Reflecting that reality, last week The St. Louis Post-Dispatch offered its readers a seven-point list of steps tor coping with stress.

The immediate relief effort has gone welf. The Federal Emergency Management Agency has been on the scene since May and is, by all accounts, a model of efficiency and helpfulness. Red Cross and Salvation Army workers are everywhere, some of them lodged at a motel in St. Charles. Missouri named Nouh's Ark.

Midwestemers have responded, even in the cities, with typical rural solidanty. In Des Moines, Iowa, and Quincy. Illinois, and West Aiton. Missouri, they have pitched in to fill sandbags - millions of them - and haul furniture upstairs. In a crisis, they have closed ranks, no questions asked.

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Davenport, fowa, is under water because it did not want a flood wall; people thought it would spoil the inverfront. Is that any reason to withhold aid? Certainly not, but let's hope the city fathers get busy building a wall against the next time. Likewise, the mg percentage of farmers who failed to buy crop insurance and the even higger percentage of homeowners without

-and must be persuaded now to get insurance or move to higher ground.

The president showed proper concern when he flew most of his cabinet to a session downriver from St. Louis to focus on flood relief with eight governors, members of Congress from the area and local officials. He would do well to convene another session when the crisis is past. to pender the many questions that this year's flood has raised, not least the complex issues of flood control and sensible flood plain use. As the mighty rivers of the Midwest have made perfectly clear this year, their waters can be managed but they cannot be mastered.

Meanwhile, the crisis persists. Incredibly, although the worst may be over, the rain has not stopped yet. And while the rivers and streams have crested in most places, they remain far above normal levels, still threatening the levees that protect farmland and the concrete flood walls in populated areas. It may be another month before all the water has drained away. It may be another lifetime before a flood like this one hits again, but now is the time to start thinking about it.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Comment

The 'Human Crisis' Is Here

Every three years, enough people are added to the Earth to equal the population of the United States. But the vast majority are being born in the countries least able to provide food, shelter, education and the means to earn a living. In its latest State of the World Population report, the UN Population Fund highlights one result of population growth: the unprecedented numbers of people moving from poor countries to richer ones and from impowershed rural areas to overcrowded cities. The report warms that pressures created by such huge numbers of migrants could become "the human crists of our age." That warning is too tepid: the crisis is already here. Worldwatch Institute reports that population growth has reached the point where it is not simply interfering with efforts to eradicate world hunger, but is beginning to contribute to it.

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Bosnia: Ominous Scandal for the West

N EW YORK — Sarajevo will soon fall. Bos-nia-Herzegovina, as such, will cease to exist. The end will culminate a two-year death watch and mark the nadir of Western foreign policy in the post-Cold War period.

And Bosnia's agonizing dismemberment will be met, despite furrowed brows and public hand-wringing, with a collective sigh of relief resounding from the capitals of Western Europe to the State Department and the White House.

Conservative estimates put the death toll at 200,000. Few of these are soldiers of organized armies who died on the noble fields of battle. This war was about ragtag militias, looters, weekend Serbian mercenaries and raiders, thugs kill-

Bosnia's tragedy reflects the West's lack of will, courage the fragility of the democratic idea espoused but not defended.

ing civilians, "ethnic cleansing," mass rape as military doctrine, depopulation, the wholesale destruction of towns and villages.

It was about territory and conquest and set-tling scores conturies old. It was about Serbian hegemony and unparalleled international cow-ardice. The enormity and scope of the debacle boggles the mind. Meanwhile, Bosnian Muslims will be hard-

pressed to find the difference between Somali warlords and Serbian militia leaders or between Saddam Hussein and Slobodan Milosevic. After all, aren't both of them war criminals?
The Muslims should have realized that in this scenario, they were like the Iraqi Kurds left to freeze to death in the mountains north of Bagh-

flushed with "victory. They should have realized that torrents of international condemnation and seber-rattling mean nothing unless you have oil or resources or

dad while George Bush and America were

By George Zarycky

threaten Americans. Genocide, ethnocide, death camps, slaughtering civilians fall out of the purview of U.S. or Western "vital interests."

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What else can any of us conclude as we watch this tringedy play itself out? Where do we ascribe blame? Whose failure was it?

There was the Bush-Baker-Gorbachev insistence oo sticking to a Cold War mind-set even as the last artificially cobbled, imitiethnic empires were unraveling. There was the post-Gorbachev collegy world as President Bush and his minimum. policy void, as President Bush and his minions ignored calls from Balkan leaders and foreign policy specialists who insisted that sovereignt claims by Croatia, Slovenia and Bosma be backed with force and resolve lest Serbia see maction as

the green light for revanchist expansionism.

And while first one shell and then another fell on Sarajevo, and Serbia's exploratory forces remained little more than lightly equipped militia and former Yugoslav army units (pechaps still smarting from defeat by Slovenian border guards), recommendations for limited air strikes to knock out artillery batteries were ignored as the United States debated peace dividends and

the economy in the 1992 eampaign.

And what of Europe? Bickering over Massmicht beef quotas, "great power" German-French gamesmanship and immigration quotas were key items on the agenda as atrocities led to the largest influx of refugees in Europe since World War II. As Lisbon talks begat Geneva. which begat Vance-Owen, which begat "safe havens," Bosnia's agony intensified.

Croatia laid claim to its share. Serbia put a

stranglehold on the rest. As envoys scurried from city to city, venue to venue, insisting that aggression must never be rewarded, the arm-twisting of Bosnian leaders was in full swing. Suddenly, President Alija Izetbegovic, who saw his country plundered and chopped up into pieces, was being recalcitrant, unreasonable. obstructionist in adhering to the principles of sovereignty and freedom.

The Christopher-Tarnoff doctrine may well be Bosnia's last will and testament. Noble ideals of democracy, liberty and human rights that all Americans hold dear will be selectively enforced by a leadership locked in the thrall of political expediency. Clearly, this is a muddled, dangerous message at a time when tensions are rising from Russia to Central Asia to Laun America to the Middle East.

In my 40 years, I have lived through far too many wars and human calamities of atrocious scale. But something, the right thing, was always said or done, Millions protested against the Vict-nam War. The sickening conflict in Biafra brought international attention, benefits, donations. The India-Pakistan war in 1971 gave us George Harrison's concert for Bangladesh and world attention, as did the outbreaks in the Middle East. Belatedly, Cambodia gave as "The Killing Fields," and the war of Ethiopia's government against the people spurred Live Aid to help starving millions.

Bosnia's public murder has nothing to do with compassion fatigue or the failure of jour-nalists to make the story graphic and real. We have all seen the horrific pictures. Headlines and opinion columns have screamed for action. The mass rapes appalled us. So, too, the stark, images of retarded children abandoned to die.

Bosnia's tragedy reflects the lack of will, courage, resolve, the fragility of the democratic

idea espoused but not defended.

Bosnia is a borrible lesson, one that years of subsequent rationalization, avoidance and analysis must not diminish. Moral evasions when they eclipse our ability to see and respond to evil, will undermine our values and our fun-damental beliefs at a time when the world is shrinking and so many are looking to the West for leadership. Slobodan Milosevic's triumph diminishes all of us.

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East Asian Security Means Dialogue and U.S. Will

By Daljit Singh

SINGAPORE — Rapid growth is transforming the economic land-scape of East Asia. Together with changes set in motion by the end of the Cold War, it will transform the strategic landscape as well, creating a need for new structures to maintain stability and defuse tensions.

The security problems today in East Asia pale compared with those faced by the region in the past. The area is more or less at peace for the first time since the end of World War IL But dangers lurk behind the great promise of East Asia and need wise management. The dangers are not imminent. They lie just over the horizon.

They arise from the shifting balance

between the four major powers - the United States, Japan, China and Russia - whose interests intersect in East Asia. Will this equilibrium alter gradually over the next decades, or will there be precipitate changes?
Historical suspicions and rivalries

between Asian nations were held in abeyance by the contest between the War. They can quickly come to the fore again if there are sudden lurches in the regional power balance. The future of the U.S. security presence and commitments will be the key. If America is seen to be reducing its military forces too fast or losing its will to be a major player, it is likely that there will be new arms races and

S TOCKHOLM — Absent from the headlines of the world me-

dia, the situation in and around

Narva in northeast Estonia is devel-

oping as a crucial test case of Rus-

sia's ambitions in its "near abroad"

area, as well as a test of the poten-

tial of European institutions to

identify and solve conflicts before

they develop into major problems. The small city of Narva has al-

ways been situated between East

the Middle Ages to facilitate trade with the East, it has been fought over ever since. During World War II, what was once a picturesque ba-

roque town was reduced to rubble.

out of which today's drah Stalinist

structures have been raised. But the

castle of the Teutonic trights still

faces the Russian castle of Ivan-

During the Soviet period, the in-

tention was to incorporate Estonia.

The case of Estonia, and

Narva in particular, is a

crucial test for Russians

Latvia and Lithuania into the Sovi-

et empire for good, and one of the

means to this end was a massive

immigration of Russians into Esto-

nia and Latvia, in particular. As a

part of this policy, Narva was ethni-

cally cleansed of Estonians, and

parts of northeastern Estonia were

transformed into a completely Rus-

Soviet recognition of the indepen-

dence of these states possible in Au-

gust 1991, the demographic situation they inherited was a difficult one: A

third of the population of Estonia and close to half the population of

Latvia were oon-Estonians or non-

ans naturally wanted to reassert

their national aspirations in all ar-

cas. Russians who had been moved

internally in the Soviet Union, a

political entity they considered

their own and who used their native

language in all walks of life sud-

dealy found themselves "abroad"

in a foreign country, with a foreign

language and a foreign culture. Now comes the integration of the

new Russia into the structures and

institutions of European coopera-

While the Estonians and Latvi-

Latvians, mainly Russians.

When Boris Yelsin finally made

sian-dominated area.

and Estonians as well.

gorod across the Narva River,

West Founded by the West in

tensions between the main Asian powers, and new pressures on the

China aspires to a large role in Asia as it rapidly gains economic power and upgrades its armed forces. The Japanese government watches this with unease that can turn into slarm and lend to rearmament if it loses confidence in the will or ability of the United States to protect Japan.

The joker in the pack, a North Korean nuclear bomb, can also push Japan toward an independent defense policy that would alarm other Asians. A sudden shift in the power that would alarm the can be a suddent to the power that would be interested to the can be a suddent to balance would also increase the risk of conflict at potential flash points. What can be done to reduce the risks? First there is a clear need for more multilateral political and security discussions to build trust and cooperation. Second. the main potential cause of destabilizing change, a U.S. military withdrawal that is too fast,

New arrangements and institutions are needed, such as the security forum approved by the foreign ministers of 17 Asia-Pacific nations at an informal dinner discussion in Singapore this past Sunday. The forum has been set up to nurture habits of consultation and cooperation among states in the region, including the United States,

Watch Russia's Baltic 'Near Abroad'

By Carl Bildt

The writer is prime minister

of Sweden.

tion, and few questions are more important than Russia's commit-

ment to the independence of the

former Soviet republics of the Bal-tic countries. This is the true test of its willingness and ability to aban-

don not only the practices of the Soviet past but also the Russian

imperialist amhitions of past centu-

in particular, will be crucial.

ries. The case of Estonia, and Narva

The Estonian parliament adopt-

ed a law on June 21 concerning the

possibilities for noncitizens to be-

come permanent residents of the

country. But it was poorly drafted

and in some ways was reminiscent

of Soviet-type legislation.
The Russian reaction to the law

was even more remarkable. In a

statement on June 24, issued in the

name of Mr. Yeltsin, use was made

of threatening language that was hardly in conformity with the prin-

ciples of interstate relationships in

Europe since the signing of the Charter of Paris in 1989. The state-

ment claimed that Estonia had

"forgotten about some geopolitical

and demographic realities," but that Russia had the "possibilities to remind it of them." It was not ex-

plicitly spelled out which "possibil-

The statement said that "all the

responsibility for possible violation

of civil peace in Estonia will test with the Estonian leadership," and that

"Russia will not be able to remain in a position of indifferent onlooker" if

the Russians in Estonia decide to

Implicit or explicit threats of the

use of armed force should belong to

the past. If Russian policy toward its mear abroad takes this form, Eu-

rope is certainly in for a bumpy ride.

As a result of views expressed by Estonia's Western Irlends, the gov-

ernment and president of Estonia

took the courageous step of submit-

ting the law to the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe

and to the Council of Europe in

order to get their coinions. When the

response cume, the president made

the decision not to promulgate the

law, and the purliament was recon-

vened during its summer recess to

pass a new law that took into account the points of view expressed by the CSCE and the council.

This is worth applauding, If other

ines Russia could use.

"protect themselves."

ca remains engaged militarily and eco-nomically. They can complement the existing security structure based on Canada, Australia and New Zealand. the U.S. alliance system, but they can-Apart from ASEAN, there has been lack of multilateral forums in the-It would be nice to regard balance of power is an old-fashioned concept and expect security anxieties to be Asia-Pacific area for political and security discussions. Because of the region's history, size and diversity, there has been no equivalent of institutions in Europe like NATO, the Western

Russia and eventually a reunited Ko-

rea in the Asia-Pacific security order.

But new arrangements for coopera-tion and confidence-building can be

successfully put in place only if Ameri-

governments in controversial situa-tions were prepared to do what the

government of Estonia did, Europe

would take a giant leap toward a stable order of democracy, buman

rights, stability and peace.
But for the surviving former Com-

munist leadership of Narva, this was

not enough. They launched a "refer-

endum" on "autonomy" for Narva.

Probably encouraged by forces in Russia interested in a conflict over

the issue, and playing on the anxi-eties of many Russians in Estonia, they went as far as talking about the

And they were listened to in Russia. The National Salvation Front

immediately offered armed help. Notorious extremists paraded before

the press on the other side of the

The referendum was certainly not

a success. With a turnout of no more

than about 50 percent, it was obvi-

ous that the former Communists in

the Narva leadership had less than solid support among local Russians. The people were much more moder-

But the problems are still there to be solved, and the situation will need

to be followed closely.

There are a number of positive signs. Official Russian thetoric has

been toned down, and the Estonian

president and government have initi-

ated a roundtable dialogue with rep-

resentatives of the Russian commu-

mities. On both sides, measures have

been taken to keep extremists out of the area. The CSCE high commis-sioner for minorities has recom-

mended a number of commitments

History can never be remade.

The injustices done to the old Esto-

nian city of Narva have already

happened, and no measures today

can undo them. Russians who were

moved to Narva are in most cases

just as much victims of the Soviet

system as the Estonians. Those ex-

treme Estonian nationalists who

seek to deny them a future in their new country are playing with fire:

If Russia wants a "near abroad"

that is stable and free of conflict, it

should join other nations in ap-

planding Estonia's policy. For

Narva, nothing could be better. In-

stead of becoming another casualty in a tragic series of post-Soviet con-

flicts. Narva could reconquer its his-

toric role as a prosperous and open

city for trade and contacts between

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the different parts of Europe,

and actions by both sides.

Narva River in battle dress.

ate than they had thought.

possibility of conflict.

alleviated by verbal piedges and paper agreements. Unfortunately, this is not the case, and probably will not be inside European Union or the Conference on there is effective international machin-Security and Cooperation in Europe. cry to enforce agreements.

U.S. trade with Asia is now 40 percent greater than U.S. made with Western Europe. The high-growth countries of Asia provide the test Western Pacific security has been based on an American military presence and a network of bilateral defense treaties and security cooperation arrangements with the United States. Many in the region feel that this structure can oo longer by itself deal prospects for growth of American exports and jobs, and bence revival of;

satisfactorily with all the problems of post-Cold War East Asia, where, ex-cept on the Korean Peninsula, there the American economy. Yet there is still insufficient importance accorded to Asia in the United States Americans should not despuir if the same parts of East Asia do not fir are now no clearly defined adversaria relationships. The oew dialogue arrangement approved in Singapore on Sunday, which is to be called the into the American model of devices and human rights. There is a need for perspective, historical and cultur-ASEAN Security Forum; could proing problems but also for managing transform Asian societies in the dipotential and actual crises. It can help rection favored by the United States, to accommodate the rising power of China and Japan while integrating

although the change will sometimes follow a zigzag path.

The end product may be an amalgam of East and West, politically more open, tolerant and pluralistic, but with an Asian style and flavor. The talk of a clash of civilizations between East Asia and the West is simplistic and betrays despair.

In Tokyo recently for the summit of the Group of Seven industrial powers, President Bill Clinton pledged to honor U.S. security commutments to affices and friends in Asia. There are two problems here. First, his new administration needs to forge a more coherent foreign policy, for there have been voices within the U.S. government which suggest a decline in the will to exercise international leadership.

It is understandable that America will be less inclined to act unilaterally in the future, but collective action and burden-staring need leadership. Second is the question of credible military power. As the U.S. defense

budget is cut, a new vocabulary has entered the public debate instead of playing a dominant role in East Asia, as in the past. America will be a "balancer"; it will side with one country or another to maintain a balance be-tween rival powers. Such a role will require considerable suphistication and guile. Given the U.S. system of government and emphasis on idealistic standards, there are doubts in Asia about America's ability to achieve its

Despite the assurances of Clinton stration officials, there are also doubts that the United States will retain credible military power in East Asia and the Western Pacific by the end of this decade.

The writer, a fellow at the Institute of Southeast Asian Studies in Singapore, contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune,

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

BRUSSELS — The Senate to day [July 26] discussed Baron de Conneck's

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Is Turning To Asia By Anthony Lewis S INGAPORE — Secretary of State
Warren Christopher, interviewed

America

Warren Christopher, interviewed while in Singapore for meetings with Asian foreign ministers, spoke of "the primacy of Asia" in American fereign policy: a primacy of opportunity. Did that phrase, I asked, signal a change in America's view of the world? "Yes," he said, "it's a change in American outlook. As a trading partner, Asia is one and one-half tim large as Europe. That's not to denigrate in any way our European telawouldn't say in intrinsic importance but in the opportunity for develop-ment of new economic and security

relationships."
The meetings in Singapore reflect gradual growth of an Asia-Pacific network of relationships and institutions. They center on the Association of South East Asian Nations, made up of Indonesia, Thailand, the Philippines, Singapore, Malaysia and Bausa, Founded in 1967, ASEAN for g

Founded in 1967. ASEAN for a time seemed a rather lifeless acronying the seemed a rather lifeless acronying the seemed and meetings have belowned highly significant, with foreign immenters from many other countries coming to talk after the formal assigns. This year the ministers of Chinac Russians. sin and Vietnam have come; and Cam-

A larger grouping, the Asia Pricific Economic Cooperation forum, was formed in 1989. It meets in Seattle this November, and President Bill Clinton has invited all its heads of government there for an informal summit meeting — a symbol of his emphasis on the importance of Asia. Most governments in the region want the United States to maintain a

strong security role in the Pacific, But touring the area one hears complaints that America can be too rushed, too demanding on issues like human nights. Asians say they see life as more complicated, more gradual.

Cambodia is a case in point. Asian.

friends of the United States were un-happy when Washington seamingly threshead to withhold aid from the Rouge play any role.

Khine Rouge play any role.

Mine Christopher said that was a missinderstanding. America accepts that Cambodia must make its own

that Cambodia must make its own decisions; although in the U.S. view the Kamer. Ronge, should not take part indess they really give up violence. That chrification could be a response to Asan views.

If the Cambodian peace process marinous to work, there will be just one support immediate security problem in the East Asan region. That

sighte fursion of North Kore's nicker weapons development But the Champophers, merings, have touched on some tense political problems notably in relations be-tween the United States and China-

The Chinese government is unhap py with the Clinton administration's decision to extend its most-favored tiade status on condition that, within had seems on continue in a visual a year, it shows significant progress on human signs. But Mr. Christopher said the reality was that Continues would be watching closely to see that the condition was met.

Speaking not about China, but generally, he said: "I'm a great believer in raising the human rights is-They may bat it back. But somewhere in their government someone will sead the memorandum of the conversation and find encouragement in the fact that the issue was important to the United States." The other tense matter that Mr.

Christopher is trying with difficulty, to work out with China is Beijing's reported sale of M-11 missiles to Pakistan. If the report is true, it would call for U.S. sanctions. "I would embasis." phasize how important our nonprobferation policy is," Mr. Christopher said. "It is the arms control issue of the post-Cold War world."

(That leads to an apology, in secont column I listed the secretary of state as among fliose who recom-mended against President Clinton's decision to extend the moratorium on nuclear tests. I have since learned not from him — that I was mism-formed. He not only supported that course, he urged it on the president.)

Warren Christopher tioes not give up easily when he tackles an issue. In 1980, as deputy secretary, he negotiated with Iran for months to end the

hostage crisis This trip will take him on to Australia. Then he will go to the Middle East to try to get peace negotiations back on track. Was there a chance of success? The planets may get in the right order," he replied. "That's what I told myself during the hostage negotiations."

The New York Times.

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fices of lives is the enemy able to hold

on, suffering terrible privations. In consequence the Allies command vir-

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bill seeking to prevent duelling by severe penalties against duellists, their seconds, and all parties concerned. The Minister of Justice declared the bill to be too severe. Baron de Conincir replied that formerly sentence of death was passed upon duellists, whereupon the Minister rejoined: "Yet duelling survives." After an amusing debate, during which chelling was compared to cock-fighting, the Government served to accept the principle of the bill with some amendments, while doubting whether the penalties will deter Belgians from crossing swords.

BERN — From our New York edition: The hadian press tonight [July 26] found its lost voice in a full-lunged shout against Fascism. Whether the Italian press has been restored in its full resolution of corresponding to the pressure of the pressure restored in its full freedom of copression was not yet certain, but a lew copies of Italian newspapers that reached the Swiss frontier carried outspoken declarations such as have not been seen on their pages since the Fascist march on Rome in 1922. Il WITH THE FIGHTING ARMIES is gone. We are finally lifes. We newspaper then work with truth and en-thusiasm. It is a difficult task for us to the Marke and the Akase is being turn out a newspaper when for wentubected to a constant Allied born.

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OPINION

How the Big Brothers Are Punishing Bai, Lily and Melanie

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BEIJING — My friend Bai Weiji was recently sentenced to 10 years in jail for providing state secrets to foreigners. His wife got six years. Until a few months ago, their families in desperation, had planned to put the couple's year-and-a-half-old

danghter, Melanie, in an orphanage. Bai, 36, an assertive man who loved designer polo shirts and thrived on the danger and glamour of associating with foreigners, was arrested more than a year ago, in part because of his friendship with me. To help me better understand China, he had provided me with copies of articles about the Chinese economy,

Twelve days after his arrest on May 5, 1992, offi-cials from the State Security Ministry, China's equivalent of the KGB, searched my office in Beijing and confiscated personal notes and papers. Included among them were materials that Bai had given me.

None of the materials would be considered secret by Western standards, but in China these came from

publications allowed to circulate only at certain levels within the ruling Communist Party. The materials were the sort that foreign correspondents in any

country would normally get.

Until now, I have said little about my relationship with Bai and his wife for fear that it might affect their trials and make life more difficult for their families. Chinese anthorities routinely threaten families of political prisoners with severe reprisals if they talk to journalists. But now that they have been sentenced, I hope that a fuller story about my friendship with this young Chinese couple can provide more insight into a side of Chinese society that most foreigners never see.

Beging's official slogin these past few months emphasizes how "A More Open China" is ready to host the 2000 Summer Olympics. Cases like this show how, despite enormous economic and social changes and the recent release of some prominent political dissidents, China remains very much a closed and authoritarian state when it comes to political freedom.

Every day, individuals are arrested and sentenced for political crimes, and may even be tortured, in total obscurity. The cases never come to light in the Chinese press; even the cases of well-known dissidents are reported only in the Western press.

According to human rights groups like Amnesty International, arbitrary detention is common. Anyone considered a "threat to public security" can be taken in for "administrative detention," a system of impris-onment without trial that can last from a lew days to several years. What happened to Bai and his wife is a case study of the measures the Chinese will take to ensure their version of political stability. If Bai had not been friendly with Western journalists, his case would still be shrouded in secrecy.

FIRST met Bai Weiji when we were undergradu-A ates at Beijing University more than 15 years ago.
He was an outgoing young man whose height made. him a natural for the university's volleyball team. He had a passion for politics. He often stayed up all night devouring books in English and Chinese about contemporary American and Chinese politics. He loved reading memoirs and biographies of people like Richard Nixon, Henry Kissinger and Zbigniew Brzezinski. He was a Communist Party member, and one of the few Chinese I knew who pored over the People's Daily as well as Time and Newsweek. He knew party histo-

es from memory. He hoped that he, and the party as a whole, could serve as a catalyst for change. Like many Chinese his age, he was fascinated by the. West and wanted very much to study in the United States, yet he was deeply attached to China. He thought of himself as part of an clite that could work to reform the party from within.

ry. He often cited events, dates and important speech-

After graduating in 1981, he was assigned a job at the General Office of the Communist Party, which critical of China than what appears in official newspa-

By Lena H. Sun

runs the day-to-day affairs of the ruling Central Committee. His main task was to sort out and help resolve the various complaints and petitions from ordinary people all over China. He later earned a master's degree and by the mid-1980s had joined the Foreign Ministry's Information Department. His primary duty was monitoring foreign news and writing news summaries for ministry officials.

During the Tiananmen Square pro-democracy protests in 1989, he helped organize the younger employees of the ministry to march to the square. Among them was Zhao Lei, a new graduate of the Beijing

Foreign Affairs College who spoke English fluently.
When I returned to China in July 1990 as a correspondent for The Washington Post, I renewed my friendship with Bai, By then be had left the Foreign Ministry because of his activities during Transnmen.

Cases like this show how. despite enormous economic and social changes, China remains very much a closed and authoritarian state.

He was expelled from the party. He and Zhao Lei, a self-assured woman who chose to go by her Western name, Lily, had married.

At the ministry, her American-accented English was so good that she served as a translator during a state visit by Singapore's prime minister. Later on she, too, left the ministry.

Our families soon became close. We went out to dirmers and on picnics among the ruins of the Ming tombs on Beijing's outskirts. Bai was a particular favorite of my son, Benjamin, who was about a year old when they first met. Benjamin delighted in the way this "mcle" could hoist him off the ground higher than his father. My last conversation with Bai, on the telephone just hours before police made their midnight-raid on his apartment, was about our children. He wanted to know whether Benjamin had any tod-dler clothes that would fit Melanie.

WHEN I arrived in Beijing, a year after the Tianan-men crackdown, Bai, like many young Chinese, was distilusioned and depressed. Knowing that he would have difficulty finding work in the official state sector because of his role in the protests, be was looking

for a job with a foreign joint venture company.

We met often to talk about politics. Because be had worked previously in the party's General Office, he could often give a broader context to the latest propaganda in the People's Daily, as well as some educated clues about who was up and who was down.

For most foreign correspondents in Beijing, it was virtually impossible to understand Chinese society and politics by relying only on official sources because they seldom offered more than the official party line. It is therefore common for correspondents to establish contacts with their own circle of trusted Chinese sources. That is, of course, the normal practice for

correspondents undertaking any foreign assignment.

Bai had a wide circle of friends, including those with access to neibu, or restricted circulation publications. These contain information that is my

pers. Essentially, they provide domestic and foreign news to the party elite. On occasion they also reflect the opinions and views of top Chinese leaders on particularly important issues.

Over time, Bai let me see some of these publications to highlight the differences between the official information in the People's Daily and the information that officials were circulating among themselves. In China, much that would be unclassified in the West falls under the cleak of "internal information" and "state secrets." These include traffie fatalities, suicide statistics and (in the 1950st even weather reports.

Naturally, I wanted to use some of this material in my reporting about China. Lily, because her command of English was so good and she was so fast, helped with some of the translations.

There were reports about the economy, analyses of current foreign policy issues and speeches by leaders. One report was titled "A Big Gambling Case in Jilin Province." Another was called "Some Economic Theoreticians From Institutions of Higher Learning on Certain Issues in the Economic Field." Another, "On

the Work of the People's Daily."

When the police raided my office on May 17, 1992. I also had in my possession something else: photocopies of two documents in Chinese that were considered politically sensitive. They were given to me by foreigners, not by Mr. Bai. One, marked "very secret," was an analysis of the collapse of Eastern Europe. Another was from the State Education Commission ordering restrictions on joint research between Chinese an

American scholars. I can only hope that Bai and Lily are not being accused of giving these to me.

On May 20, the Beijing Intermediate People's Court sentenced Bai to 10 years in prison, according to a court spokesman. He had 10 days to appeal, and did so, but a higher court upheld the ruling on July 5. With credit for the year that he served in a detention nter while under investigation, he is due for release in 2002, when his daughter Melanie will be 11.

Lily was sentenced on the same day. She is due to be released in 1999.

THE trials were held in secret. Bai and Lily were represented by the same lawyer. But China's criminal justice system is such that lawyers particularly in sensitive political cases, rarely perform any other function than pleading for lement treatment based on a confession of guilt. Authorities did not notify family members of the sentences until some time in June, according to sources close to the family. The authorities seemed intent on snaring Bai. About five months before he was detained, he told me be noticed be was being followed. Later, while be was being investigated, be at first denied receiving material from Chinese friends. But authorities confronted him with a videotape taken with a camera hidden in

meet, according to sources close to the family. Two of these friends were later arrested and sentenced to twoand four-year terms, the sources said.

They came for him on May 5, 1992, on a balmy spring night. It was after midnight when the police arrived at the apartment to take him away. Lify got word of Bai's arrest to his friends almost immediate While plainclothes police kept watch outside their

an apartment where he and one of his friends used to

apartment building, she smuggled a note in a lipstick tube out to a friend, who then spread the word. But Lily was also afraid she would be taken away at any moment. Two days after Bai's arrest, she called me at 6 A.M. Obviously, she had not slept all night. I could hear Melanie, then about 6 months old, crying in her arms. "Lena, please help me. What should I do? What should I do?" she said in English, crying softly. Will you take Melanie? Can you adopt her

I felt borrible. I knew that the last thing she needed was to be caught talking to me on my phone, which I assumed to be bugged, and told her so.

The police did not arrest Lily until April 21 of this year, almost a year after Bai. In the interim, she had managed to fend for herself and Melanie by finding

work with foreign joint venture companies. The authorities went to great lengths to secure her detention. In what might have been an act of compassion or a practical move to avoid taking responsibility for Melanie, police arranged for local authornies to buy a train ticket for Lily's mother to travel the 400 kilometers from her home in coastal Shandong Province to Beijing to help care for Melanie just days before Lily was arrested, sources close to the family said.

WHEN my office was raided on that sunny Sun-day afternoon last year by seven police officers. two of them in uniform, my mouth went dry and my mind raced as I tried to stall for time. I thought of the material Bar and others had given me that was sitting in my green Chinese safe. Sooner or later. I knew they would find it. I didn't know if Bai had confessed to the police, or whether they were raiding my office to get the "smoking gun" for their case against him. Either

way, it did not look good for Bai.

At that moment, I cursed myself for keeping the documents. But I am trained as a journalist, not as a spy. Like any correspondent in an authoritarian society where information is hard to come by, I was a pack rat - I saved things for my stories. And whether my property was securely locked in my office safe or kept in my bedroom. I naively believed that it belonged to me.

In the initial moments of the raid, when the officer in charge pulled out his search warrant covered with red seals. I thought I, too, would be arrested. I did not know until much later that two uniformed officers also prevented my husband Jerry and son Benjamin from leaving our apartment.

My comfort during the entire three-hour search and interrogation was that two officials from the U.S. Embassy stood outside my office door — next to the two uniformed Chinese police. The Chinese prevented the Americans from entering my office, but the Americans refused to leave. I made them leave the front door open, and I would shout out in English the questions that the police were asking me.

More than a year later, I still don't know what really happened, whether I was peripheral or central to the case, and why authorities seemed so intent on getting Bai. Clearly, given his background, he should have known the risks he was taking. Yet I never thought of what he did as a risk, because the material he provided was so innocuous and because many so-called secret

documents flow easily to diplomats and journalists. What happened to Bai and Lily is the worst nightmare of any foreign correspondent. In the West, a journalist's instruct is always to protect sources. But in a society like China's, where the security forces are patient and persistent, just having sources is a risk.

I don't know how Bai and Lily are faring in jail. My husband and I think about them a lot. Before we knew the outcome of their trials. Jerry and I would sometimes think we had caught a fleeting glimpse of them, walking hand in band along one of Beijing's hurongs. or narrow alleyways, stopping to buy vegetables, like so many thousands of other Chinese couples. I wonder, too, about Melanie, the apple of her

father's eve. When I last saw her, she was still an infant with huge dark eyes and spiky black hair. Bai's family is struggling to take care of her, His father died of cancer two years ago. His mother, a retired factory worker, also has cancer. She must look after Bai's older, mentally retarded sister on a paltry worker's pension. Lily's mother in Shandong province still works, so she is unable to care for Melanie. But after considering putting ber in an orphanage, the families have pooled resources. They recently hired a peasant woman to help care for her.

The Washington Post.

Say, There They Are! Whoomp-Whoot Days

By Bob Herbert

N EW YORK — It's the hortest phrase in the nation but there are huge segments of the population that have never heard Whoomp, there it is!" Or, if you prefer, "Whoot there it is!" It's the joyous cry of the streets and the clubs in the big cities, the ery of the young who refuse to succumh to their troubles and grief. "Whom, there it is!"

Kids can't stop saying it. A 10-year-old boy in Detroit opened his hirthday gift and pulled out a Nintendo game. "Whoomp!" he shouted, "There it is!"

A little girl in Atlanta was striving for an A on an English

MEANWHILE

test. When her graded paper came back, she jumped up in the classroom. "Whooi," she said. "there it is!"

his a phrase that makes you feel good. It gets the endorphins going, it's much better than a cigarette or a cocktail. Whoomp. there it is!

Amazingly, very few people outside of the black urban environment are aware of this phenomenon, although the phrases have faunched two hit songs. The No. 2 song in the country is by the rap duo Tag Team. It's called "Whoomp! (There It Is)." Also on the charts is "Whoot. There It Is," an altogether different — and blatantly risque — song hy the rap group 95 South. There's a bowling alley in

Manhattan that plays a phrase from one of the songs every time someone rolls a strike. A special "championship" version of "Whoomp!" was recorded for the Chicago Bulls, And Tag Team and 95 South were both to be on the Arsenio Hall Show

this Monday night.
In other words, the whoompwhoot phenomenon is very big. But as it comes primarily from black kids, much of the country remains absolutely unaware of it. The media have staved away from it big time. These are America's youngsters, but it's as if America can't hear them,

On Capitol Hill, where congressmen shadowbox with the hig issues of our time, you'll get a dumbfounded stare if you happen to mention "Whoot, there it Several blocks away, in the D.C. neighborhoods, the phrase is everywhere, but hardly anyone on the Hill has heard it.

That's a shame. Some of the folks in Washington could benefit from a little loosening up. Senator Bob Dole comes to mind. He often seems to have a gloomy view of the world. He'd perk right up if he got into the hahit of calling nut "Whoot, there it is!" every time he threw a roadblock in front of some Dem-

ocratic legislation. And then there's Senator Orrin Hatch, who was clearly exasperated last week by Judge Ruth Bader Ginsburg's refusal to disclose whether she believes the death penalty is consultational. Lighten up, Senator. Take a deep breath. Now look into the camera and say it: "Whoomp, there it is!"

"It means you're excited, you hke something," said Terence Braddock, a Harlem 12-yearold. "Everybody knows what it nicans. It means something's good. Everybody's saying it. I say it a lot. Whoot, there it is!" Terence's face was angled toward the sun and it held a smile full of warmth and wonder. He looked like he wanted to say it again.

The whoomp-whoot phenom-enon is a terrific example of how most blacks and whites in America continue to lead separate existences, looking past each other. not seeing one another, not hearing one another, except on those days when, inevitably, we collide and it's time to fight.

This happened in Crown Heights a couple of years ago and a riot ensued. It happened in the Senate last week, when Senator Carol Moseley Braun rose suddenly and unexpectedly to denounce a Senate endorsement of the Confederate flag.

Too often, whites don't know what blacks are thinking and doing and feeling, and vice versa. It would be better if we knew a lot more about each other. There are ways.

This Monday night, when Tag Team and 95 South were to be on Arsenio Hall, the show was to post a 900 number for viewers to call and say which song they liked better. The proceeds from the calls would go to the American Red Cross to help the victims of the flooding in the Midwest. It's a terrific idea.

And there was a rumor that when it was finally decided upon. Mr. Hall and his staff looked up and cried nut -Whoomp, there it is!

The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Pan Am 103: Libya Must Still Be Made to Pay

unue retations (Opinion, July 22): Why can't we deal with the country that sent the ls not justice delayed justice denied? The relation of the U.S. Public Relations" (Opinion, July 22):

On Dec. 21, we will have waited for five years! Fortunately, not too many people are ever required to experience the absolute numbing shock, the days of horror piled upon horror. that we all lived through that Christmas season of 1988. Anyone who has will understand our implacable pursuit of justice. In this case, justice translates as punishment of the government of Libya, not of the people.

Jim Hosgland suggests that punishing Libya by military means is not a thing of the past. But this, we tear, may be wishful thinking that distracts us from a more immediate objective: compensation for all the losses suffered at Lockerbie. To be sure, this is only part of the instice we seek. But obtaining just compensa-tion and punitive damages from Libya should not be held hostage to the prospect, by whatever means, of ever achieving extradition of the two indicted Libyan nationals.

If punishing Libya for the Lockerbie atrocity by military action is not an option, neither is imprisoring two low-level intelligence agents ad-equate punishment for Colonel Moanmar Gad-hali's errant government. Must the families forgo any efforts aimed at damages and compensation against Libya until the United States has physical

The commander of the Serbian militia in Bosnia, General Ratko Miadic, was quoted in

your July 22 edition as saying of the Muslims:

I hope that today, or tomorrow, we will have cut off their forces completely, both on Mount

Biclasnica and on Mount Igman. The path of Allah is controlled by my army." I cannot help

Abandoning the Muslims

Regarding "Gadhafi: Unlikely Help With His custody of the two agents accused of terrorism?

tives of the 270 people murdered at Lockerbie,
Scotland, are still waiting for justice to be done.

On Dec 21, we will have spatial for five weets!

And British governments in doing so?

Perhaps the involvement of a person of Abraham Solaer's stature could have brought the Libyan government to at least partial fulfil-ment of its obligations. Whatever problems his representation may have presented should not. however, as Mr. Hoagland suggests, taint the

idea of direct negotiations.

The United Nations Security Council is less than enthusiastic for stronger measures to punish Libya than the existing sanctions. How then are we going to make Libya pay just compensa-tion to relatives and Pan Am for the attack? (The lawsuits against Pan Am are largely based on the earning power of the victim. But shouldn't just compensation be related to the enormity of the crime and not the victim's income?) Sending the bill for all the Pan Am 103 claims would make an impression on Libya and on any other state that might be tempted to

use terrorism against America. There is no manimity among the relatives of the victims of Flight 103 as to the proper course of action to take against Libya. But please, Mr. Hoagland, let those of us who did lose a loved on that flight decide what will honor - or not honor - their memory.

BRUCE M. SMITH. Daytona Beach, Florida.

Makings of the Balkan War

Regarding "The Charge Is Serbia's to Answer" (Opinion, July I) by Immo Stobreit, amhossador of Germany to the United States:

Ambassador Stabreit deserves strong suport for his article. Of course German recognition of and Croatia did not "ca slav crisis. As he rightly says, the Serbs were attacking towns in Slovenia six months before recognition happened. They also were laying waste to 130 kilometers of Adriatic coast around Dubrovnik in Croatia. It is pure legend to suggest —as, unfortunately. Warren Christopher did — that the Germans "caused" this.

Rather, they put an end to it. There is a Serbian international letter-writing machine which will no doubt go into action, but the facts are quite straightforward. The only way in which the Germans can be faulted is for listening to wet hens in London.

NORMAN STONE. Modern History Faculty. Oxford, England.

Regarding "Bonn Angrily Reinffs U.S. Charge It Provoked Yugoslav Crisis" (June 19):

Secretary of State Warren Christopher's statement that Germany "bears particular responsibility for the breakup of Yugoslavia and the escalation of the war" is absolutely correct. When Germany precipitously recognized Bosnia-Herzegovina, it touched off the present conflict. Everything should have been done to maintain Yugoslav unity, and, if this was not possible, then to insist that the three parties negotiate new and acceptable frontiers before granting recognition. Germany's role in this is evident. The very fact of recognizing Croatia before assuring the basic human rights of the 700,000 Serbs in Krajina was an injustice of the worst order.

THOMAS FORAN de SAINT-BAR. Neully-sur-Seine, France.

A solution for Bosnia is to separate the reli-gious groups and use the United Nations to keep them apart. But it is impossible to impose a division of land that would keep both sides happy. A method we used to generate peace between our children when dividing a piece of pie or whatever was to have one of them divide it and then the other would choose. It is amazing how evenly that piece of pastry would be divided.

GERALD C. HARDY.

I am puzzled and disgusted by the double standard adopted by the United States and the United Nations. While they are intervening in a civil war in Somalia, they withhold help to the Bosnian government, a recognized member of the United Nations, by extending the ban on weapons deliveries to it, whereas the other parties get plenty of arms from Serbia and Croatia. Neither the lessons of the prewar nonintervenion policy in Spain nor simple compassion are moving the leaders of the free world.

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but wonder what the West's reaction might be if this kind of statement had come from a Muslim general whose troops had been conducting eth-nic cleansing against Christian and Jewish civil-ians in the besieged cities of the former Yugo-

slavia for the last 18 months. SADRUDDIN AGA KHAN.

FAST PACK EASY!

JOSE ESCIUA Negotiations continue with Serbian leaders while they use the time to grab more land and kill more people, Perhaps we would be wise to recall the words of America's anti-slavery advocate, William Lloyd Garrison: "With reasonable men. I will reason; with humane men I will plead; but to tyrants I will give no quarter, nor waste arguments where they will certainly be lost." FRANCESCA KELLY.

Not So Naughty: High Fashion For the '90s

By Suzy Menkes

collections were about the return of the miniskirt and another round of sexy, flaunt-it clothes? Not quite.

The desire to grab media attention may have encouraged Karl La-gerfeld to make the thigh the limit when he seissored away at skirts in his Chanel collection. The ups and downs of hemlines is a simple, single issue for people to grasp. But something else was happening be-hind the hype and the antics of "supermodels whose careers depend

on maximum exposure.

Chiffon and lace veiling, bared flesh and jet jewely replacing gilt wand sparkle, all suggest that the new season is going to usher in the not-so-naughty-nineties. For every bouncing bosom and bared leg-there were clothes that move fashion back to an era of a discreet cover-up. . As fashion turned its pusile back on . .the staid Victorian era, lacy looks in the 1890s may have seemed daring and dramatic. Today they seem po-

References to the fin de siècle era , of a century ago ranged from Yves
, Saint Laurent's chantilly lace banding skirt hems to Christian Lacroix's
, rattling jet beads and Sarah Bernhardt hairdos. Crushed velvets in Pre-Raphaelite bronze-green and old gold were in all the collections. and a new Gothic revival focused on all things medieval.

The best show of the couture week was from Emanuel Ungaro. who nad radically enanged his sexpot silhouette for something soft and dreamy. He showed layers of light fabrics, including chiffon and veivet faintly patterned to look like gloomy stained glass windows. The fact that the clothes were often shown with Arabian Night headdresses emphasized the feeling that his Haunting fashion style was taking the veil.

Even at Chanel, those micromini hemlines un the signature suits were not the whole story. For evening, Lagerfeld slipped inno-cent white sijk T-shirts under black apron dresses with gilded embroi-dery, and he made long thick-knit skirts dropping to the ankle—even if they were worn with matching

ordinary folk, is a strong story in that has taken uver from Elizy & couture. And this new artsy-craftsy For Lacroix, the same understated feeling, introduced to a world of silks and satins, also ecboes the tiny sequins or gilded rods through mood of the turn of the last centu- brown chiffon so that the stane was ry. The arts and crafts movement. dulled to a shimmer. Berries of jet led by William Morris in the late and polished wood were buried un-Victorian era, attempted to focus of leaves of black lace at Ungaro, on the human dimension after the The return of jet — which Industrial Revolution. Now, as reached its fashion summit as then, the spirit seems to be turning mourning jewelry in the 1890s - is

away from industry and technology in favor of things touched by hu-

Against a flood tide of stretch fabrics, high-tech running shoes, crinkly nylon shell suits and fluorescent back packs, haute couturiers are pitting buman resources. Ungaro's stenciled chiffons and velvets were band-done by Sabina Braxion, a British artist who has developed a hand-block printing that gives an embossed gift look. The effect is of nich and rare robes left to gather dust for a few centu-

Lacroix, once associated with the image of the bright, sunlit south, wanted his new collection to be seen as in moonlight, shining fabrics or embroideries veiled with ash, the outfits looking as though they had been recovered from the attic. To get the effect, he called on craftspeople to weave tweeds - and then pain them with a patina of age. Chenille embroidery, macrame and patch-work, using different laces, were all humble materials and techniques raised to couture art.

Collaboration with famous fabhouses is also an important part of the coulure story — and belps in understand how fashion is chang-ing. In fact, the shift in the 1990s is not so much in silhouette - which is why bemline length is a red herring — but in fubric weights and finishes. The layered look that blurs and mists a definite outline requires ultra-light fabrics, so that even traditionally sturdy, deep-pile velvets have to he given a different

UPPLE pagne velvet was a favorite fabric, along with other crushed and shadowed effects recalling the work of Mariano Fortuny a century ago. His extraordinary effects of stippling, stenciling with egg white, and Japanese woodblocks, always to get an antique effect, are the inspiration for designers today. Abraham of Zurich, famous for

bright brocades created for Saint Laureni, came up this season with git dulled with black or copper brown, and flowers the color of autumn leaves on a black chiffon ground. For Givenchy, there were tults of bronze velvet on dull black.

Jakob Schlaepfer of Saint Gall, Switzerland, created for Oscar de la Renta at Balmain a guipure lace AND-KNITTING in hand, as well as Pierrot coin-dots of haute couture? The fo- velvet on satin. For Chanel there cus on bandicrafts. was an airy mesb of micro-sequins once associated with on tuile in the dull old-gold color effect was achieved by threading



STYLE MAKERS

Women at the Corrida The Bull Is Not Their Only Opponent

ARLA, Spain — When Christina Sanchez enters the bullring, her mother is usually to the front tines, praying that ber young daughter won't be gored again.

'Anyone who doesn't tremble at the sight of a 650-kilo beast is from outer space," the matador Curro Jiménez, once remarked. But Sánchez, who fights 3-year-old bulls with high style, claims with touching bravura that she doesn't fear for her life.

Sánchez is the leader of a small emerging class of women bullfighters. Most come from working-class backgrounds, still live with their parents, and are surprisingly shy outside of the ring. As aspirants in a notoriously closed profession, women builfighters must contend with the same problems as their male counterparts, along with bla-So what attracts women to this

high-risk male-dominated sport?
"Unless you've actually been in the ring, it's impossible to explain," says Sanchez in the knowing tones of a secret society intimate. Indeed, her own education into the ways of the ring came early in life, via her father, n banderillero. Today, he forms part of her team.

On a break from her morning workout in Parla, a scruffy indus-trial town near Madrid where she lives with her parents, Sanchez sits in their living room and politely answers questions. Tall and grace-ful, with her shoulder-length blonde hair pulled back into a po-nytail, Sánchez looks like a school girl and talks like a seasoned mata-

"The bull is an animal that was born to die in the ring," she muses. "Together we do a strange dance; a kind of harmony. What do I feel when I reach for my sword? Privileged," she says without hesitation. "I ftod lox hunting far more bar-

ANCHEZ was first in her class at Madrid's Escuela Taurina, In 1992 she won a student competition that sent her on a 10-day exhibition tour of Latin America. Though ber talent and girl-next-door good looks have made ber a rising star, ber mentors are pessimistic about her future.

In a drafty warehouse at the state-subsidized Madrid school, José António Alcoba, an ex-matador, reminisces about his former student while pint-sized boys and a handful of girls diligently practice passes with blood-stained capes. The atmosphere is one of total concentration and, viewed from a dis-

tance, mesmerizing. Of the bun-dreds of students currently power to 1940 at the end of the attending the school, Alcoba estimates that only 2 percent will meet with any success

"Christina has all the makings of a great bullfighter." Alcoba says offhandedly, limping across the poured concrete floor to silently correct an older student. "Too bad e's not a man.

"She's agile and charismatic and the best young torero that I've seen in a long time," he adds. "But I just can't see a woman making it. May

she prove me wrong." Pundits say that it is both physically and mentally impossible for a woman to fight a bull as skillfully en have made sporadic appearances in the ring over the course of nine centuries, although they haven't as yet left much of a mark.

To be sure, only two women, Maribel Atienza and Angeles Hernández Gomez, have managed to achieve matador status, fighting full-grown bulls. Their patron saint was Juanita Cruz, who, in 1933 boldly ignored the Spanish Repub-lic's ban on women bullfighters to become a household name. Many of Cruz's male colleagues, revolted refusing to appear on the same bill as a woman — a problem even today — while the critics praised her form and grace. When the ban was temporarily lifted, Cruz be-came the focus of a national de-

Civil War, women were once again banished from the ring, this time until 1974.

At the Madrid school, Yolanda Carvajal, 23. participates to a student show. Although she has challenged 250-kilogram novillos (young bulls), at plazas around the country for several years, today she is waving her cape at the reluctant baby call whose life will not be

Petite and fine-boned, ber grave, prematurely lined face reflects the experience of a girl who left school at 14 to work on the assembly line of a cookie factory. Although the money Carvaial earns from bull fighting barely covers her expenses, she dreams of becoming a fullfledged matador.

"For a while being a woman works in your favor." Carvajal comments. She is sitting behind the plaza in a field overrun with pop-pies and goldenrod. "You're a kind of curiosity so people turn out to see you. If you do well, they're supportive. But mess up and you get jeered louder than any man.

"It's really sort of silly," she observes, pausing to salute a male colleague. "After all, the bull doesn't care if you're a man or a

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another symbol of changing times in the 1990s Lacroix, the first to

launch haroque jewels and gilded accessories into fashion seven years ago, showed jet chokers redolent of the Edwardian era. Even at Chanel, the signature gilded chains were darkened to a dull metallic pewter. bron.22 and old gold.

It all added up in haute couture not so much showing a leg, as turn-ing its face against anything redolent of the Hanni-it 1980s in favor of arts and crafts.

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S D it iast, in "The Sixues" - which follows "The Twenties,"

"The Thurnes. "The Forties" and

"The Fittes - we get Edmund Wilson in the final decade of his

life, actually the fmai 11th years,

on June 11, 1972, the day before he

And do we find this preemment

20th-century man of fetters frail

and decining in these pages? He certainty complains a lot: of de-

creasing energy, of a failing cardio-

vascular system, of deteriorating

teeth, of approaching incontinence,

of a declining tolerance for alcohol

and of a fading lihido.

Halfway through the decade he grumbles: "A feeling, the older I

get - which I never expected to

have - that earthly matters are

hardly worth the effort. I've seen

the best and worst that people can

do, and I no longer have tuy old

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Supermodel Curves: New Life for the Wonderbra LONDON - In recession-hit Britain, they are the magazine Marie-Claire, the bra bas reached cult sta-

cups that cheer. The Gossard Wonderbra - a 42-piece confection of power net and lace — is busting sales 20 times more bras than last year in France. figures for its parent company. The bra, launched as a bust-enhancer in 1968, has been a perennial best-seller, but it has been given new uplift by the current cult of the

an upward curve in Germany and France. After being

Helga Steeg, executive director

of the International Energy Agency, is reading Paul Kennedy's "Prepar-

'ing for the Twenty-First Century."
"It is intended as a guide for understanding global changes, not

as a technical primer for responses.

I find it very stimularing. It is a challenging contribution in identify the issues political leaders have

in address to avoid a gloomy fu-ture." (Elisabeth Hopkins, IHT)

fading out of it, why bother to read

books, meet people, travel to for-eign countries? I feel that I've pret-

ty well canvassed the world, and

what's the use of more experience?

As for women, my powers are wan-ing. What's the use of thinking

about them? All of my delightful

adventures are now in the past. I

sometimes enjoy remembering

them, but even that is losing its

hundreds of pages than the longest

of its predecessors, "The Thirties,"

even allowing for its extra 17

months. Despite his physical fail-

ings. Wilson achieves a staggering

amount of drinking and socializing.

As for his teeth and sexual activity:

to his middle 70s, he is having an all

but consummated affair with the

During the decade, he completes

his study of Civil War bterature,

"Patriotic Gore," and adds signifi-

cant works to his canon like "O

wife of one of his dentists.

Yet "The Sixties" is longer by

WHAT THEY'RE READING

featured in scarlet lace on the June cover of the French tus. In the first six months of 1993, Gossard has sold

Peter Herd of Gossard claims that the secret of the Wonderbra - "often copied but never bettered" lies in the angle of its padded cups, which push the Supermodel and the craze for flaunting underwear.

One and a quarter miltion Wonderbras are sold annually, according to Gossard. And sales are now on market leader," he says. "But this is its second commarket leader," he says. "But this is its second commarket leader," he says. "But this is its second commarket leader,"

she thought of the Warren Com-

Frost once avoided a Brazilian lit-

erary congress because, despite

having flown down to Rio de Janei-

ro, he could not face sharing the

continuing intensity of his curiosity

about everything from foreign lan-

guages to magician's tricks to the nuances of poetic meter to comic strips. And his unsnobbish interest

in people, he they aging relatives.

sick friends or ordinary people, so

long as they bave opinions or n

Wilson's reputation for cantanker-ousness, but he could also be gra-

cious. This reviewer once over-

heard him making politely

agrecable sounds while a film critic

resemblance between "Finnegans

Wake" and "Last Year at Marien-

bad," a film Wilson now turns out

to have considered "simply the old

French triangle played as an inter-

lathered on over what he saw as a

People were of ten intimidated by

But most entertaining of all is the

spotlight with Faulkner.

story or two to tell

CHESS

By Robert Byrne

HREE players tied for first place in the Skei-Masters International Tournament in Gausdal, Norway. in early May: Bjarke Kristensen of Denmark; Jonathan Tisdall, an American who lives in Norway, and Ferdinand Hellers of Sweden. For Kristensen, it meant a second norm toward the grandmas-ter title; for Tisdall, it meant his third norm. Hellers is already a

Hellers defeated the Norwegian international master Rune Diurhuus in Round 5 by reducing a complicated middle game to a decisive end game by a timely exchange

In the main line of the Winawer Variation of the French Defense with 7 Qg4, the battle lines are sharply drawn: Since Black's dark squares on the kingside are weakened by the absence of his KB, White will try to force an invasion there helped by the superior control of space the ed pawn creates; Black will aim at exploiting White's doubled e pawns and the awkward state of the white queenside.

However, the gambit with 7...cd!? that Mikhail Botvinnik, the world champion from the Soviet Union, turned into such a potent weapon in the 30's, transforms the Winawer from siege warfare into hard-hitting dynamic counterplay. On 13...Nf5, White's problem is to mtegrate a somewhat disorganized position in which the white king is often dangerously exposed. White's 14 Rb1 is important to deny Black additional pressure with 14...Ob6. And so are 16 Rgl and 17 g4 to drive the black KN out of its domi-

nating post. Meanwhile, Black strikes at the white center with another pawn sacrifice, 16...f6!? and there is no 'It helps me jack up my waning way to stop Black from opening the game. A year ago, also in Gausdal, Djurhuus played 18...e5 19 f7!? Rg4 20 Rg4 Bg4 21 Bh3 Qc7 22 Bg4 Qg4 23 Qg3 Qb5 24 Rb3! e4! To judge from the eloquence and interest of "The Sixties," he sucinst Hellers and the melee was

miraculously drawn. That this is



Position after 23 ... Qd7

not repeated here indicates that both players have discovered something wrong with Black's idea.
Djurhuus's 18...Be8 19 Rg3 Bg6 was temporarily suppressed by Hellers's 20 f5! ef 21 Bf4! After 21_Qa5 22 Kf2, Djurhuus avoided 22_fg because 23 Qb3! b6 24 Rg4 Qb5 (24_Nf5 25 f7 Rg7 26 Qe6 Kb7 27 Rg6 Rg6 28 Og6 Oc5 29 Ke1 Ne3 30 Be3 de 31 Bg2 Rd6 32 Qe4 Rf6 33 Rb3 wins for White) 25

Qh3! Nf5 26 Qh5 Bh5 27 Rg8 Rg8 28 Bh3 decides. After 23...Qd7, Hellers got the queens off with 24 Rgb3! b6 25 Qa6 Qb7 26 Qb7 Kb7. And whirling back to the kingside with 27 Rh3!, he quickly set up a winning end game. After 29 Bg3, Djurbuus saw that 29...Ng6 30 Rh8 Rh8 31 Bg2! Rd8 32 h4 Bd5 33 Bd5 Rd5 34 h5 would not permit him any defense against Heller's three connected passed pawns, so he gave

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And by Wilson's own admission in these pages, be did not punch in the nose a business executive's wife who upon sitting down next to him

"Faust" lacking all "sense of form." He calls the Koran "unreadable." His portraits are especially caustic. He describes W.H. Auat an awards banquet exclaimed, "You wrote 'Finlandia,' didn't den's wrinkled face as lonking "like some kind of technical map." He you? To which the author of "To the Finland Station" replied, "No: that was written by a Finn." writes of the 1920s icons Gerald and Sara Murphy, "One felt the limitations of their perfect life." When Dabney paid a visit, Wilson handed him n glass of orange Truman Capote at first "seemed to juice at breakfast and then swigged me a not unpleasant little monster. his own, reciting the Hebrew phrase "Hazak, Hazak, Venithalike a fetus with a big head." zayk," explaining that it was a plea

Canada, "Europe Without Baede-ker," "The Duke of Palermo and Other Plays," "The Dead Sea asked Jacqueline Kennedy what to be strong enough to begin read-ing the Torah all over again. Dabncy explains, "When I asked what the phrase did for him, he replied,

Scrolls: 1947-1969," "A Window

on Russia" and his hauntingly ele-giac "Upstate: Records and Reflec-

tions of Northern New York" . Yet

he reports being relieved to get

back to his journal, where, as he told his editor, Lewis M. Dabney,

he felt he was doing his "best

It shows. His opinions seem un-

usually provocative here. He finds

the films "Last Year at Marien-

bad" and "Hiroshima, Mon

Amour" boring and annoying. He

pronounces Part If of Goethe's

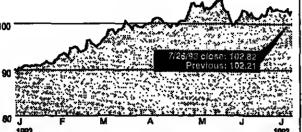
ceeded almost to the end. Christopher Lehmann-Haupt is on the staff of The New York Times.

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Italy Acts To Defuse Ilva Feud

By Tom Buerkle

BRUSSELS - Italy has moved to defuse a confrontation with the European Community over the restructuring of its money-losing steelmaket Ilva SpA by confirming that it has withdrawn a plan to absorb liva's massive debts and indicating a willingness to discuss the debt problem with the EC Commission.

Talks on the debt were scheduled to take place in Brussels Tuesday between Italy's foreign minister. Beniamino Andreatta, and Competition Commissioner Karel van Miert, said an Italian source who spoke on condition of anonymity. Resolving the deht issue is central to an EC plan to cut capacity in the steel industry across the Community, as well as to Italy's plans to privatize large portions of its state-owned industry.

In a letter sent Friday to Mr. van Miert, Mr. Andreatta said that Ilva had shelved a plan to have its shareholder, the state-owned holding company Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale, absorb its 4 hillion European Currency Units (\$4.5 hillion) in debt, according to Alain Economides, a spokesman lot the Italian representation to

The commission threatened an injunction to block the move earlier this month if Italy did not respond

to its complaint by this week.

Mt. van Miert contends that the removal of the debt would be a state subsidy that would distort competition. He has also criticized Ilva's plans for not including big cuts in capacity.

The letter also described liva's current plans, outlined by the company last week, to set up two companies along different product lines to prepare itself for privatiza-tion, Mt. Economides said.

U.S. Sends Mixed Signals 'Unfair' Japan Gets Government Job

By Martin Tolchin New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - Three weeks after the U.S. Trade Representative formally found that Japan discriminated against U.S. companies in awarding government construction contracts, the State Department has selected a Japanese construction company to reanware the residence of the U.S. ambassadot in Tokyo.

An American company that wanted the job has lodged a formal protest, alleging that the State Department award violated Federal law. President Bill Clinton stayed in the residence during his recent visit to Tokyo to attend the summit meeting of the Group of Seven industrial nations, and the residence will be the official home of the new U.S. ambassador to Japan, former Vice

President Walter Mondale. The State Department selected Obayashi Corp. to do the renovation because it was the low bidder, according to Susan Edmondson, an agency spokes-woman. Ohayashi hid \$7.1 million, compared with \$10.2 million by Fischbach & Moore International Corp. of Dallas, and \$10.7 million by J.A. Jones

Corp. of Charlotte, North Carolina. The difference in the hids was so great that the American companies could not benefit from the 10 percent advantage they received. In addition. Miss Edmondson said. Ohavashi huilt the original residence. "an absolutely magnificent historic

But Fischbach & Moore International has filed a protest with the General Accounting Office. The company notes that the Foreign Service Buildings Act limits foreign bidders to those from countries that give equal access to American bidders for comparable adjunctionatic and consular building projects. The only exceptions are those required by international agreements, and when the Secretary of State determines such bids are in the interest of bilateral relations or needed to carry out a con-

In a report to Congress on April 30, the office of

the U.S. Trade Representative identified Japan as discriminating against U.S. companies to the pro-curement of construction, architectural and engi-

On June 30, Mickey Kantor, the trade representative, formally identified Japan "as a country that maintains, in government procurement of construc-oon, architectural and engineering services, a signifi-cant and persistent pattern or practice of discrimination against U.S. products or services that results

in identifiable harm to U.S. businesses."

Mr. Kantor made the finding in accordance with Title VII of the Omnibus Trade and Competitiveness Act of 1988, which authorizes trade sanctions

'Awarding this contract to Obayashi flies right in the face of what the U.S. government says it wants.' Robert R. Kiley, president, Fischbach

against countries that discriminate against American companies in their government purchasing policies. Mr. Kantor barred European Community companies this spring from hidding for a handful of Federal contracts, in retaliation for the EC's new purchasing rules for central office telephone switches and other telecommunications equipment. However, Mr. Kantor postponed implementation of sanctions on Japan.

Miss Edmondson said that Fischbach & Moore

should have raised the disqualification during the prequalification period last January. "These are guys who know the State Department, who do work for the department in other parts of the world," she said, "If that really was a problem, it

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Mr. Meurer also described as

"speculation" Germao media re-

ports that Volkswagen planned to

keep Mr. Lopez for at least another

year, and perhaps as long as 1995,

because that was bow long German courts would need to bring charges

The Spiegel article said boxes of GM papers discovered at an apart-ment in Wiesbaden included docu-

ments requested personally hy Mr.

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against the Spaniard.

Hamburg last Tuesday lifted a gag-ging order oo Der Spiegel, allowing it to repeat industrial-spying claims standing behind" him, said a VW spokesman. Andreas Meurer.

Economists See Bundesbank Forced to Ease

Compiled by Our Staff From Deputches resign before devaluing the Italic.

LONDON — The French franc Mr. Balladur said, "We are attached." held its value against the Deutsche mark without needing support from central banks on Monday, as speculators turned their attentions to other weak currencies in the Eu-

ropean Monetary System.

Compared with the hectic acuvity of last week, trading seemed subdued, as speculation grew the Bundesbank would cut interest rates this week to preserve the exchange-

rate mechanism of the EMS. Gerhard Grebe of Bank Julius Bär in Frankfurt said: "In the end, the Bundeshank always acts to support the European Monetary System. I am sure that in this case as well they will do so." The mark slipped to 3.4149

francs in London from 3.4178 on Friday, Last week, the Bank of France and the Bundesbank defended the French currency when the mark was at 3.4180 (ranes, close to the 3.4305 ceiling in the ERM. France also raised short-term interest rates to defend the currency.

The Bundesbank's council is to

meet Thursday for the last time before taking its summer recess. A survey by Reuters on Monday showed that 18 out of 20 private European economists were forecasting a cut in German interest rates this week. Sixty percent of those questioned expected a half percentage point cut in Germany's discount rate, which is currently at 6.75 percent.
The central bank, which calls the

tune on monetary policy in Europe, has kept interest rates high to curb inflationary pressures that followed German unification in 1990. This has forced many FRM countries to live with interest rates that are too high for their frail economies, Christian Dunis at Chemical

Bank said, "The future of the ERM as we know it rests with the Bundesbank's will to ease monetary policy."

Speculators are betting that France, saddled with a recession and unemployment at a record 11.5 percent, will not have the stomach to defend the franc by raising key inlerest rates as it did during attacks in January and last September. But Prime Minister Edouard Bal-

ladur, who met his British counterpart, John Major, in London on Monday, has made it clear he would

to monetary stability and will do everything necessary to ensure it.

President François Mitterrand concurred: "We are living through multiple and severe attacks. France's determination cannot be doubted and it should be thought that the ERM musi survive and impose itself."

Mr. Balladur said Monday night that he thought speculators were trying to bring down the exchange-rate gnd. Earlier this year, other French politicians and Chancettor Helmut Kohl of Germany had indmated that U.S. and British forces had conspired against the ERM. although a report by the Bank for International Settlements in Fehmary disputed this.

"I think speculation in the mar-ket is aimed at the ERM rainer than toward the French franc. Mi. Balladur said on televisioo. "Everybody knows the French franc is a strong currency.

Mr. Major, who oversaw Britain's withdrawal from the ERM last year, said after his meeting with Mr. Balladur that the current "turbulence" in the system was not in anybody's interest.

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U.K. Supports Call for Talks

Compiled by Our Staff From Populch. LITINDON - Bornell agreed Mondas to separt. French calls for a joint meeting of EC foreign and agricul-. ture ministers in September 10 examine the state of global trade talks and look at Frenchled criticism of a U.S.-EC deal on farm trade.

During a news conference at the end of a British-French summit meeting, Prime Minister John Major and his French counterpart Edouard Balladur said they had agreed on the need for the summit, despite their differences over the socalled Blair House farm-trade deal. (AFP, Knight-Ridder)

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Don't Hold the EC's Funeral Yet

By Reginald Dale

ASHINGTON — Dancing on the grave of European unity has become so commonplace on both sides of the unity want greater unity even if they aren't always unite sure how. Atlantic that it's a nice surprise to find a brave band of policy experts who refuse to join the herd of stomping feet.

Not only do they believe the European vision is far from dead, they think it's high time the United States woke up and took much greater notice of the European Community. They are absolutely right. Led by Robert B. Zoellick, former undersecretary of state for economic affairs and one of the hrighter lights of the Bush administration, this small group is calling on President Bill Clinton to "reinvent the Atlantic partnership" by negotiating detailed new economic, industrial and monetary agreements with Brussels. In today's Japan-fixated

Washington, it's hard to think of a less fashionable proposal, Nevertheless, the group, assembled by the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, hopes to open the administration's eyes to the need for a 1980s optimists forward-looking new policy on Europe, in the same way that a similar team recently contribut-

ed to a more lar-sighted policy on Asia. Risking charges of politically incorrect Eurocentrism, the group says Europe must remain at the forefront of U.S. international policy. A major aim, it says, should be "to help create a more coherent and decisive European Community as one of America's key interlocutors and partners."

And despite the low point at which the EC currently finds itself. Mr. Zoellick rightly says today's despondency overdoes the gloom — just as the heady excitement of the late 1980s exaggerated

the brightness of the EC's immediate luture. "The emergence of new economic and political obstacles should not be misperceived as a European rejection of the fundamental commitment to overcoming a destructive legacy through closer integration." Mr. Zoellick says. "European integration will proceed - albeit in lits and starts although its exact course is still an open question. That's much nearer the truth than the widespread, facile conclusion that European integra-

tion is dead. Despite the EC's correct travails. most Europeans realize somewhere deep down that their small nations are no longer viable as quite sure how.

Mr. Zoellick even manages to put a positive spin on Europe's current state of flux. He argues that the turnoil in the Community provides a historic apportunity for the United States to forge new links with Europe while the EC is still in a forma-

Making a point that would have been trite only a few years ago hut is now unusual, the group's report stresses how much the United States and Europe have in common, in their culture and history, in their levels of economic development and in the problems they face. "Americans and Europeans are both talking about reforming the welfare state, creating jobs, reinvigorating education and overhauling the health and tax systems,"

it notes. Among the group's good ideas are a call for a trans-At-The prophets of lantic single market backed by formal industrial and environgloom — like the mental policies and a new protocol to promote trans-Atlantic

Less helpful is a suggestion that by finding out better how the Community works. Americans might somehow insimuate them-selves into the EC decision-making process. That smacks of the "13th seat" at the EC's table once called for hy senior Bush administration officials - a counterproductive idea whose time, if it ever

had onc. has gone. Much more constructive is the group's suggestion that the United States and the Community could together be a driving force to improve the world's economy by establishing new forms of international cooperation that could then be extended to Japan and other countries around the

Perhaps, say group members, Mr. Clinton's plan to attend a NATO summit in Europe this year will locus his mind nn the need for a new European policy — just as his trip to the Tokyo summit this month helped to open his eyes to Asia. Let's hope so. But it's also up to Europe to start showing that it will be a worthwhile partner.

Spiegel news magazine. A court in MGM Owner Rearranging

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

Volkswagen AG board member de-

nied Monday he had received any

secret information from General

Motors Corp. or its German sub-

sidiary Adam Opel AG.

Jens Neumann of VW described
his meetings early this year with

José Ignacio López de Arriortua,

over claims of document theft, in

the build-up to Mr. Lopez' controversial move from GM to VW in

March. He said he had made the

statement in response to an article that appeared in Monday's Der

is now under investigation

WOLFSBURG, Germany --- A

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches SANTA MONICA, California -The French bank that became the unlikely owner of MGM installed a new boss at the historic, financially ailing movie studio and will transfer \$1 billion of its debt load to other parts of the bank's operations.

Its Debt Load

The banking company. Credit Lyonnais, said it was replacing MGM's top executive, Alan Ladd Jr., with the lormer Paramount Pic-

tures chairman Frank G. Mancuso, It said MGM's immediate par-ent, MGM Holdings Inc., would assume payments on \$800 million of the studio's bank debt and would borrow money to huy MGM's European thearers for about \$232 million. The studio is to use that money to retire its junk

The transactions will take more than \$1 hillion in debt off MGM's books, making it a more attractive target for investment or sale — Credit Lynnnais's ultimate goal.

Crèdii Lyonnais also said it would increase MGM's credit line by \$210 million to allow it to revive production at its dormant United Artists operations.
The bank, which is required to sell

MGM by 1997 under U.S. banking

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VW Aide Denies Getting Data

"At no time have I wanted, te-

quested, been offered, been in-formed of or received husiness or

operations secrets from General

Motors and/or Adam Opel AG in written or oral form." Mr. Neu-

mann said. "That applies particu-larly to meetings which I had with Mt. Lopez on Jan. 15, Feb. 2 and

VW meanwhile, reaffirmed its support for Mr. Lopez in the face

of suggestions that he should be

against Mt. Lopez.

REPUBLIC NEW YORK CORPORATION SAFRA REPUBLIC HOLDINGS S.A.

Consolidated Statements of Condition and Summaries of Results

These statements and summaries represent the consolidated accounts of Republic New York Corporation and its wholly owned subsidiaries and of Satra Republic Holdings S.A. and its wholly owned subsidiaries. Republic New York Corporation owns 48.9% of Safra Republic Holdings S.A., which is accounted for by the equity method.

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	1993	1992	1993	1992
Assets	(h	n thousands of US	5 except per share d	ata)
Cash and due from banks	\$ 482,556	\$ 413,303	\$ 51,569	\$ 62,504
Interest bearing deposits with banks	6,985,934	9,907,773	3,551,035	3,289,263
Precious metals	659,974	382, 444	158	1,348
Investment securities	13,566,188	10,990,694	5,588,801	4,735,159
Trading account secunties	732,958	648,816	78,713	20,575
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under resale agreements	2,128,370	244,109		
Loans, ner of unearned income	8,211,837	6,146,189	1,180,643	1,220,078
Allowance for possible loan losses	(256,700)	(235,205)	(63,202)	<u>(41,294</u>)
Loans (ner)	7,955,137	7,910,984	1,117,441	1,178,784
Other assets	3,693,827	2,851,748	301,764	276,067
Total assets	\$36,204.944	\$33,349,871	\$10,689,481	\$9,563,700
Liabilities Toral deposits	\$21,891,785 3,522,882 3,978,674 2,314,967 2,130,874	\$20,359,842 3,884,210 2,924,475 2,453,909 1,534,298	\$ 6,831,829 1,973,414 254,665 500,000	\$6,792,681 935,561 180,061 547,600
Shareholders' Equity Cumulative preferred stock	556,425	556,925	-	022.210
Common stock and surplus, net of treasury shares	714,387	709,446 026,766	902,007	902,219
Retained earnings	1,094,930	926,766	227,566	<u>205,578</u>
Toral shareholders' equity	2,365,762	2,193,137	1,129,573	1,107,797
Total liabilities and shareholders' equity	\$36,204,944	\$33,349,871	\$10,689,481	\$9,563,700
Book value pet share	\$ 34.39	\$ 31.27	\$ 63.82 4.312.343	\$ 62.58 2,819,972
Net income, for the six months ended	\$ 143,673 \$ 2.48 52,267	\$ 124,303 \$ 2.12 52,069	\$ 54,885 \$ 3.10 17,701	\$ 45,575 \$ 2.57 17,717

Risk-Based Capital Ratios

As of June 30, 1993 Republic New York Corporation's risk-based core capital ratio was 17.18% (estimated) and total qualifying capital ratio was 19.60% (estimated.) The ratios include the assets and capital of Safra Republic Holdings S.A. on a consolidated basis (in excess of \$40 billion in total assets and \$4 billion total capital) risk-weighted in accordance with the requirements of the Federal Reserve Board specifically applied to Republic New York Corporation.

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Dow Jones Averages

NYSE Indexes

MARKET DIARY

Interest Rates Fall As Dow Hits Record

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - Blue-chip Dow Jones industrial average to a fectord, on signs of an improving economy accompanied by falling interest rates.

Sales in the Northeast were op 14 percent. On Friday, U.S. automakers indicated new-car sales climbed in mid-July.

Don Hays, director of investment interest rates.

The Dow industrials rose 20.96, to 3,567.70. Although broader mar-ket indexes did not join the blue-

N.Y. Stocks

chips at record highs, the Dow Jones utility average also ended at a re-cord, rising 1.78 points, to 248.88. The other major averages did rise, however, and advancing issues on the New York Stock Exchange outnumbered declines by a 5-to-3 ratio.

The rise in the utilities was signifi-.cant, technical analysts said, because they are a beliwether gauge of interest-sensitive shares such as bank stocks and a legion of preferred equity issued in recent years. The interest-sensitives have provided an indispensible underpinning to the 1993 stock market, analysis said.

In the bond market, interest rates fell. The 30-year Treasury bond gained 8/32, rising to 105 23/32 and lowering its yield to 6.68 percent from 6.70 percent.

The interest-rate decline and the rise in the Dow utilities came despite signs of economic growth, which usually leads to rising yields as demand for money increases. The National Associatioo of Realtors said existing home sales rose 1.9 percent in June, to an an(Bloomberg, Knight-Ridder, UPI)

oual rate of 3.69 million, the highest level in five months. Sales in the

strategy at Wheat First Butcher & Singer in Richmond, Virginia, noted that housing and cars account for a "huge percentage of the U.S. economy." He said these reports fueled. the market's advance. Mr. Hays also said that of about

1,300 companies that reported second-quarter earnings in the last nine days, increased profits were posted by three times the number of corporations that had decreases The market was also aided by

comments from Elaine Garzarell managing director of Lehman Brothers. She said she expected the Dow industrials to reach 4.025 over an unspecified period. Chase Manhattan was the most-active New York Stock Exchange

issue, edging up h to 32 in ex-dividend trading. Shanghai Petroleum's American depositary receipts were second on their first day of trading, ending at 2014. The ADRs represent 100 H-

class shares, which are quoted in Hong Kong. Novell paced the over-the-counter actives, falling 3½ to 21¼ after Goldman Sachs downgraded its rating and lowered its earnings estimates for the computer-

FRANC: Steady, as Focus Shifts

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George Soros, the iovestment manager who claimed to have made \$1 billion speculating against the pound before it was withdrawn last year, said he was oot betting against the franc because he did not want to

be accused of derailing the ERM. Writing in the French newspaper Le Figaro, Mr. Soros said, "It is tempting to speculate against the

Foreign Exchange

franc in that there exists an unresolved problem, and apparently accoulation evacerbates the probiem." He added: "Furthermore, it is relatively inexpensive to speculate against the franc, but it is an error because Edouard Balladur is firmly defending the strong franc policy, and public opinioo fully

supports him."
Mr. Soros wrote, "I declare also that I am oot speculating against the franc and that I have no inten-tion of doing so because I do not of the Bundesbank council meetwant to be accused of destroying ing. But it slipped to 106.70 year the EMS."

Although pressure eased against the franc on Monday, selling \$1,5045, and the dollar rose to emerged in three other ERM con5.8875 French francs from 5.8781. tituents: the Spanish peseta, the But it fell to 1.5197 Swiss francs Portuguese escudo and the Danish from 1.5200. (Reuters, Bloomberg krone.

Even the Belgian franc, tied closely to the mark, fell to a threeyear low. The mark rose to 20.76 francs from 20.72 on Friday.

Belgium's central bank, forced to raise interest rates on Friday to protect its currency, increased them again on Monday and pushed its central lending rate to 8.5 percent from 7.15. It was 6.7 percent a Portugal responded to pressure

on the escudo by lifting its rate on B one-day credit facility by 2.5 points, to 14.5 percent. But the mark rose to 100.19 escudos from 99.85 late Friday. Against the other currencies that

have been targeted by speculators, the mark rose to 80.31 pesetas from 79.78 on Friday, but it slipped to 3.8880 Danish kroner from 3.8885. The dollar and yen benefited on Monday from the ERM weakness.

In New York, the dollar rose to 1.7245 DM from 1.7195 on Friday.

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Boeing Profit Slips With Jet Sales

SEATTLE (Combined Dispatches) — Boeing Co. said Monday that its second-quarter earnings had slipped 1 percent from a year ago, due to lagging commercial jet sales and less defense business.

Profit eased to \$426 million, from \$432 million in the second quarter of 1992. Sales rose 2 percent, to \$7.99 billion from \$7.82 billion. Boeing delivered only 202 commercial planes in the first six months of 1993. down from 243 in the first half of last year, while sales in the defense and space sectors fell 14 percent.

Frank Shrontz, chairman and chief executive, said the company expected to maintain its operating profit margins oo commercial jets, even as it cuts production 35 percent through mid-1994. (AP, AFP)

Mixed Results From Big Oil Firms

LOS ANGELES (Combined Dispatches) — Atlantic Richfield Co. and Chevron Corp. reported lower earnings on Monday, while Phillips Petroleum Co., citing higher U.S. natural-gas prices, reported gains.

Aroo, citing reduced margins, said first-quarter profit declined 12.3 percent to \$271 million, from \$309 million a year earlier. The earnings were nonetheless well above Wall Street estimates.

Chevron said second-quarter net tumbled to \$50 million from \$315 million a year ago. This year's results, however, included net special charges of \$515 million for restructuring its downstream operations. Phillips reported net income of \$121 million, up 21 percent from \$100 million a year earlier. (UPI, Remers)

American Express Net Surges 34%

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — American Express Co. reported Monday that its second-quarter profit rose 34 percent from last year, to \$416 million, as earnings surged in its travel-services and securities divisions. Earnings in travel services rose 89 percent to \$234 million in the quarter while profit at its Shearson Lehman Brothers securities unit rose to \$121 million in the quarter from \$4 million, after charges, B year earlier.

Motorola Plans \$1 Billion Expansion AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — Motorola Inc. announced plans Monday to huild a \$1 billion semiconductor laboratory and chip-fahrication plant that will create 700 jobs.

The expansion of the company's Austin, Texas, complex is scheduled to begin immediately and be finished in 1996, Motorola said.

For the Record

Capital Cities/ABC Inc. created a new division dedicated to new and emerging media technologies. It will be on a par with the company's three existing divisions in television, publishing and broadcasting. (AP)

U.S. home resales rose 1.9 percent in June, the third consecutive monthly gain, to the highest level in five months, the National Association of Realtors said.

(Bloomberg) Zenith Electronics Corp. reported a second-quarter loss of \$24.7 million, compared with a loss of \$15.2 million in the year-earlier quarter.

But excluding the effect of royalty income, the company's operating results improved slightly.

Weekend Box Office

LOS ANGELES - "Poetic Justice" jumped into first place at the U.S. box office over the weekend. Following are the Top 10 moneymakers for the weekend, based oo Friday ticket sales and estimated sales for

muay ami sunday.		
1. "Poetic Justice"	(Columbio Pictures)	512.1 million
2. "In the Line of Fire"	(Columbia Pictures)	511.4 mfillion
3. "The Firm"	(Paramount)	\$10.2 million
4 "Free Willy"	(Warner Brothers)	58.6 million
5. "Juressic Pork"	Universal)	\$5.2 m01lon
6. "Coneheods"	Paramoun\)	57,4 million
7, "Sleepless in Scottle"	(TriStar)	\$5.7 million
& "Hocus Pocus"	(Disney)	\$5.5 million
9, "Another Stokeout"	Touchstone Pictures	\$5.5 million
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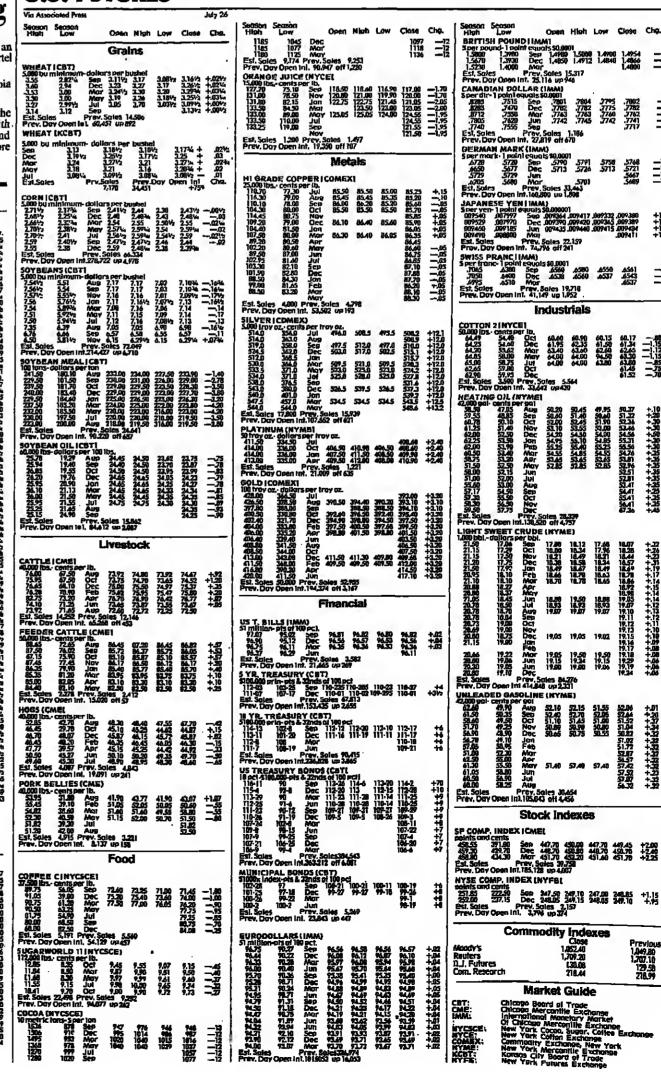
OPEC Fails to Set Up Meeting

The Associated Press ABU DHAB! — Jean Ping, the OPEC presideot, wound up an incooclusive Middle East mission Monday aimed at trying to bring cartel members into agreement oo how to boost saggiog oil prices.

Mr. Ping, also Oabon's oil minister, left Abu Dhabi for Saudi Arabia on Monday, hut officials there said his plane landed only to refuel.

Last week, Mr. Ping was forced to cancel an emergency meeting of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries to try to deal with slumping prices after the cartel's largest producers, Saudi Arabia and Iran, traded charges about the world glut. Oil prices have fallen more

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Basques Question General Motors Why Would López Steal Copies of His Own Plans?

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AMOREBIETA, Spain — At the unspoken heart of the battle that pits General

Matters Company Vollagement AG there Motors Corp. against Volkswagen AG there stands a verdant expanse of farmland and pine-clad hills on the outskirts of Amorebieta, a sleepy town in Basque country.

Cows graze, tractors trundle, the late-afternoon sun casts shadows. There is nothing to suggest anything but somnolent rural tradition. Yet it is in Amorebieta that José Ignacio López de Arriortua, late of General Motors, now of Volkswagen, has long wanted to build an auto plant that would slash production time for a car to 12 hours, 30 percent below

what even the Japanese can achieve today. But now, with Mr. Lopez enmeshed in a dispute with GM over what his former employer contends was theft of business secrets. there is a growing conviction in Amorebieta that the dream factory will never be built

That feeling was reinfurced this month when Ferdinand Piech, the VW chairman. said the European auto market was too depressed for such a venture. Then, on Saturday, Volkswagen said it would ask Mr. Lopez to quit as its head of production if the accusations of industrial espionage were proved.

In Mr. Lopez's home town, feeling for the 52-year-old local hero is running high. Friends and neighbors universally describe the auto executive, who has become widely known in the German press as "the unscrupulous one," as deeply religious, morally rig-id, disarmingly simple and utterly dedicated.

"Josin is exactly the contrary of the way he is being portrayed," said a retired bank employee, Alberto Echebarria, using a nickname for Mr. Lopez that is common in the town. "He is sincere, amiable and completely incapable of dishonesty."

From any other auto industry executive, the notion of building a futuristic plant might be dismissed as a pipe dream. But such is the costcutting reputation of Mr. Lopez, and such is the intensity of competition in automobiles, that the obsessive dream of this unbending Basque made its way into the board rooms of General Motors and Volkswagen.

General Motors and its German subsidiary, Adam Opel AG, contend that when Mr. Lopez shunned GM's offer to become president of its North American operations, jumping to Volkswagen in March, he and associates who left after him took proprietary documents.

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Löpez on Feb. 3 and 4. German public prose-

cutors, who are looking into the claims

brought against Mr. Lopez and others by

GM, said last Thursday that four boxes of Opel and GM documents had been found in

later in four boxes in the former Wiesbaden apartment of two of Mr. Lopez's associates. reportedly included information about the top-secret O-car, a small vehicle that might have been built in the factory that Mr. Lopez

had dreamed of situating near his home town. The GM accusations, which are being investigated by the state prosecutor's office in Darmstadt and by the U.S. Justice Depart-ment, involve charges that, if true, would crush Mr. López's reputation.

In Germany, this view of the events has gained the upper hand: a bumble Spaniard.

Hometown fans think Mr. López was

propelled in the heights of GM in a bittle more than a decade, turns in ruthless pique on the company that made him, indulging in industrial espionage.

But if the Lopez story is increasingly being portrayed in black-and-white terms, several conversations in the Basque region suggest a more complex story. Mr. Lopez's departure from GM involved the clash of a brilliant, stubborn individual with a slow-moving corporate bureaucracy. It also involved a sharp sense, on both sides. of betraval - a feeling exacerbated by the friendship that existed between Mr. Lopez and GM's chief execu-tive, Jnhn F. Smith Jr.

"The study of the possibility of a plant here has been going on for at least the past two years and reached an advanced stage with General Motors," said Manu Alvarez, coauthor of a recent book about Mr. López.

GM now denies it was particularly interested in the plant, a statement suggesting Spanish authorius and companies were carried away by Mr. Lopez's enthusiasm, "I don't think we ever did look at it too seriousty," said Andrew Andresz, a GM spokesman, "You know, there is terrible overcapacity in the European auto industry without adding something new."

Patri Ocerin Aguirre, Mr. Lopez's lawyer, said: The main thing for Mr. Lopez was always to bring the auto plant of the future to his home region. Not as a caprice, but because there is a strong industrial tradition here tied to

Some of the Wieshaden documents bad

Der Spiegel said Mr. Lopez bad organized

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a meeting at Opel's Russelsheim headquar-

ters Feb. 3 and 4 to discuss purchasing strate-

of Mr. Lopez, the prosecutors said.

the property, which was occupied by two gy, cost targets and model plans. The maga-former Opel employees now working at VW.

sell to the sector — and he believed it would work. He also believed GM and Mr. Smith when they indicated their strong interest."

Under the plan - known as Plateau 6. which represents the zenith of the plateau-by-. plateau steps that Mr. Lopez contends can increase an automaker's efficiency — suppli-ers were to be present inside the \$450 million plant, next to assembly lines. Transportation costs were thus to be eliminated, and the number of parts were to be reduced.

It was not until March 8, 1993, when he attended a two-day strategy meeting at Opel headquarters in Germany, that Mr. Lopez became aware GM had dropped the plan and had begun to consider Hungary as a possible site for the plant, if it was to be built at all.

"On March 8." Mr. Löpez said on June 14 in Madrid. "I suffered the biggest disappointment of my life. If I hadn't suffered that, I'd be working at GM right now."

For many of the people of Amorebieta, all-out attack on Mr. Lopez, seeking to prove that he and his close associates are dishonest.

Among the questions asked by Mr. Lopez's lawyer friend in Amorebieta and others are: Why would Mr. Lopez's associates be so stupid as to leave four boxes of GM documents in their former apartment so that police officers could find them six weeks after the company filed suit? Why has Mr. Lopez's lawyer in Germany not been allowed to see the docu-ments? Why has Mr. Lopez's own apartment never been searched by police, and what necessarily links him to the discovered boxes?

As Mr. Echebarria, the retired bank employee, put it, "If the ideas are in his head, why would he need these papers he's supposed to have taken?"

■ VW and Suzuki Abandon Venture Suzuki Motor Co. said it and Volkswagen

had abandoned plans for joint production of mini passenger cars at the SEAT SA plant in Zona Franca, Spain, Bloomberg Business News reported from Tokyo.

The two companies had planned to build cars using auto parts imported from Suzuki's Japanese plants. But Volkswagen, the parent of SEAT, asked Suzuki to reconsider the project after the rise in the yen pushed up the price of parts against the Spanish peseta.

VW: Executive Denies Reports He Received GM Secrets From López documents from every speaker at the meeting, some of which were later found in Wies-

Mr. López apparently left Rüsselsheim on the afternoon of Feb. 4, when according to an entry in his diary he had a meeting with "Jens entry in this diary in said.
Neu." Der Spiegel said.
(Reuters, UPI, AP).

Reuters Plans To Buy Back 5.8% of Shares

LONDON - Remers Holdings PLC said Monday it planned to buy back £350 million (\$524.5 million) of its own stock from shareholders in reduce its cash surplus.

The news and financial-information concern said it would buy 25 million shares, or 5.8 percent of its ordinary shares outstanding, at £14 each for shares traded in London and the equivalent of £42 each for its American depositary receipts traded on the over-the-enunter market in the United States.

The company will finance the stock purchase from its existing reserves, which totaled £710 million

at the end of March. Reuters shares closed Monday at £14.38 in London, up 30 pence. The ADRs, which each represent three ordinary shares, were trading at \$64.875 Monday afternoon, up

Analysts predicted that the buyback would have little effect on the company's balance sheet. Several forecast that Reuters would have about £600 million in cash on band by the end of this year.

Reuters is to announce its firsthalf results Tuesday, and analysts expect them to show a 13 percent rise in pretax profit to £212 million.

from £187.4 millinn a year earlier. In their forecasts, some analysts cited the success of Equity Focus, the company's equity information system that competes with the London Stock Exchange's own system, called Topic. "It's taken over a quarter of the market in six months," said Neil Barton, analyst at Merrill Lynch & Co.

Two analysts at NatWest, Neill Junor and Fiona Matheson, ad-vised investors to "pay particular attention" Tuesday to any Reuters disclosures about the first-ball performance of its Instinct equity

trading system. "We anticipate an outstanding performance, providing insight into the long-term earnings poten-tial of Dealing 2000-2 and Globex," which are trading systems for foreign-exchange tracts, respectively.
(AP, Bloomberg)

Bechstein Files For Bankruptcy

BERLIN - The German piano maker Bechstein, whose early customers included the composers Franz Liszt, Richard Wagner and Claude Dehussy, has filed for bankrupt-

cy, its manager said Monday. Karl Schulze said the 140year-old Berlin firm faced liquidation because of beavy losses, falling sales and the re-fusal of its banks to provide new toans. But Mr. Schulze said be hoped C. Bechstein Pianofortefabrik GmbH, which employs 68 people, could still be saved if the state government of Berlin stepped in. A government official indi-cated such belp was possible.

MGM: Owner Rearranges Its Debt

Continued from Page 9 regulations, is seeking to re-establish the studio first as a credible produc-

Crédit Lyonnais has already pumped more than \$3 billinn into MGM, which was established in 1924 and by the early 1930s was

Hollywood's richest studio. Credit Lyonnais, one of the world's 10 biggest banks, took control of MGM after it had provided nearly \$1.4 billion to back the Italian financier Giancarlo Parretti's 1990 takeover of what was then Mr. Parretti soon defaulted on his closed."

loans, and the bank was forced to foreclose.

The virtual collapse of what was once a leading Hollywood studio resulted in fraud and racketeering lawsuits and countersuits between Crèdit Lyonnais and MGM's former owner. Kirk Kerkorian.

Mr. Ladd was not available for comment, but his lawyer, Allen Susman, indicated the move might be challenged. "In the very near future." Mr. Susman said, "we anticipate that his position regarding this termination, admittedly made MGM-UA Communications Co. without cause, will be publicly dis-

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Investor's Europe

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LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton said first-half consolidated sales rose 3.6 percent from a year earlier, to 10.04 billion French francs (\$1.7. billion), but poor champagne sales weakened net profit by about 25 percent from the 1.29 billion francs earned a year earlier.

Norsk Hydro A/S said its net profit in the first half had nearly tripled to 2.63 billion kroner (\$358 million), from 903 million kroner a year earlier, and cited the sale of shares in the Freia Marabou confectionary company

Arbed SA of Luxembourg and Usinor-Sacilor SA of France had their plan to merge some of their industrial units approved by the EC. Commission. Usinor's plan to buy 30 percent of the Spanish steel-distributor Bamesa was also cleared by the commission.

· Creditors of the late Robert Maxwell may have to pay as much as £100 million (\$150 million) for the unraveling of his business affairs, a report

by a British Parliamentary committee said. Costs so far are £50 million. · Daimler-Benz AG said it welcomed the decision by the regional government of the state of Bavaria to sell its 8.58 percent stake in the aircraft maker Deutsche Aerospace AG. The divestment is part of the Bavarian government's program to sell off a number of state holdings, including Bayernwerk, which was sold to VIAG AG. VIAG said the merger should be completed by the end of next year,

Bloomberg, AFP, AFX

BMW First-Half Sales Off 9%

Acence France-Presse MUNICH - Sales by BMW AG

year, to 14.7 billion Deutsche marks (\$8.5 billion), Bernd Pischetsrieder, the company president, said Monday. But he said that BMW was one of the few car mantifacturers still making an operating

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He said that the number of BMW cars produced and sold fell by 10 percent in the first balf to about 275,000 units but noted that the car sector throughout Germany had experienced an average decline

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U.S. Used 'Managed Trade' in '50s To Assist Japan, Documents Show

By Stuart Auerbach

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Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - The United States belped create an economic superpower in Japan by encouraging exports to America, a series of declassified documents from the 1950s shows.

"The entry of Japanese goods into the United States should be facilitated." a National Security Council memorandum argued in 1952, and the United States should "utilize" Japan as a source of supply for equipment and goods procured by U.S. armed forces or under Unit-

ed States aid programs for other countries."

These documents, declassified and made available for study as part of a continuing U.S. government program, and interviews with key U.S. officials, demonstrate that the Japanese economic miracle was due in part to deliberate actions by a United States fearful that Japan would fall to communism. The hard-working tradition of the Japanese people was certainly a large factor in their postwar success, but the documents show that Japan also had help from

Now, Tokyo is resisting pressure from President Bill Clinton to return the favor and press Japanese companies — grown rich through protection of their home markets and relatively free access to markets abroad — to bury more foreign products. Japan says that would be managed trade and contrary to free-trade principles. U.S. officials scoff at the argument.

Charges of managed trade are "ironic." Un-dersecretary of the Treasury Lawrence H. Sum-mers said before this month's Group of Seven summit meeting in Tokyo, when they come from a government that has long embraced industrial targeting," that allocates market shares among "a limited number of companies in selected markets" and that "continues to use iodicative targets in its own medium-term eco-

The diplomatic papers of the 1950s show just how far the United States went toward "managing" trade in those days to help build up Japan.

President Harry S. Truman's effort to foster Japanese exports was continued by his successor, Dwight D. Eisenhower. A National Security Council document in 1953 said that "increasing access to markets in the United States" was needed to halt the "economic deterioration and falling living standards" in Japan that "create fertile ground for communist subversion."

Following that theme. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles told President Eisenhower and his cabinet in 1954 that the United States must negotiate "international trade agreements favorable to Japan" to counter Communist efforts to court Tokyo, according to confiden-tial minutes of the cabinet meeting.

Later that year, the American Embassy in Tokyo started Japan on the road to trade protectionism when it suggested that the country limit its imports and channel the foreign products it did buy into the production of goods that

it could sell overseas. As part of the effort to rebuild Japan's shattered economy and make the country a strong ally against communism in Asia, U.S. officials pressed a range of economic policies on Japan

that today would be called managed trade.

These included encouraging an export-oriented trade policy that fostered protectionist practices at home; deciding trade complaints

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counter communist efforts to court Tokyo.

by U.S. companies in favor of Japan on political rather than economic grounds; failing to force Japan to follow its own laws and allow lorce Japan to follow its own laws and allow U.S. companies to invest; steering military contracts to Japan during the Korean War, pumping hundreds of millions of dollars a year in aid on top of as much as \$750 million a year in special defense spending, and urging the World Bank to approve reconstruction loans despite the belief of World Bank officials that the larges of 40 years are special steepers.

Japan of 40 years ago was not creditworthy.
Ironically, one of America's concerns in
those days was that Japanese products would not be good enough to compete in world markets. Reporting to the National Security Council on Sept. 12, 1954, after a trip to Tokyo, Mr. Dulles said he had advised Prime Minister Shigern Yoshida to seek export markets in Southeast Asia, not the United States.

"Secretary Dulles told Yoshida frankly that Japan should not expect to find a big U.S. market because the Japanese don't make the things we want," the official "top secret" minutes of the meeting said. "Japan must find markets elsewhere for the goods they export." President Eisenhower grew so concerned that an economically destitute Japan would fall prey to communism that he personally asked American industrialists to buy Japanese-made products even if they didn't meet the United States'

"Companies like yours have got to do busi-

ness with Japan" because "that country must become economically sound," Mr. Eisenhower told Robert Galvin, former chairman of Motor ola Inc. and head of the executive committee of

that company's board, at a Republican fund-raising dinner in Chicago in 1957.

Through the rest of the 1950s and into the 1960s, Mr. Galvin took Mr. Eisenhower's words to heart. The corporate executive, now 70, insisted that Motorola cultivate Japanese suppliers, even leaching the country's new electronics manufacturers to make such basic parts as radio tubes and resistors of a quality that could be used in American products.

Partly as a result of its early contact with Japanese electronics companies, Motorola is considered one of the American success stories in Japan. But still, Motorola does not have the share of the Japanese market that it thinks its products deserve.

"I believe the Japanese set ceilings on what they will buy from foreign companies." Mr. Galvin said.

And despite all the help Japan received from the United States, there were signs in the diplo-matic traffic of the 1950s that Tokyo was not fully appreciative of U.S. elforts.

Mr. Dulles, for instance, sent a cable to the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo in December 1953 expressing disappointment that Japan had "fallen so (ar behind Germany" in its economic

The Japanese, he said, "are constantly asking more and more from U.S. without feeling any obligation themselves to do what is necessary to promote security in Asia." It was time, Mr. Dulles said, "that the Japanese leaders realized they cannot expect forever to he on the receiving end without any correspondent effort on

Later that month, the U.S. ambassador to Tokyo, John M. Allison, cahled the State Department that Japan "does not consider itself an ally or partner with the United States but rather a nation which for the time being is being forced by circumstances to cooperate with the United States and which intends while doing so to wring out of this relationship every possible

advantage at minimum cost."

A major critic of U.S. efforts to build up Japan then was the South Korean dictator Syngman Rhee, who wanted his country to become the United States' main ally in North Asia, His opinions were discounted in Washington, however, because of the history of bit-

terness and rivalry between Japan and Korea.

According to the minutes of a 1953 meeting Seoul with Mr. Dulles, Mr. Rhee said that "the huilding up of the 'Japanese empire' would give the United States a very hard time some-day."

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New-Look W Seeks Niche In Fashion

By Deirdre Carmody

Newsstand sales are down or, at best, even with last year's levels for its four maio competitors— Vogue, Elle, Harper's Bazaar and Mirabella, Advertising is still un-even, though Harper's Bazaar registered a significant rise in pages during the first six months of the year. But the magazines' overall cir-culation is strong and this is where W hopes to make its gains. W is by far the smallest in terms

of circulation - about 258,000, or. about one-lifth that of Vogue, the largest. W had 411 advertising pages for the first half, putting it even with Mirabella but well below. Vogue with 1,139, Harper's Bazaar with 691 and Elle with 574.

In positioning itself in the mar-ket, W has always sent out mixed signals. As an oversized broadsheet with a dozen or so sections, it has soen itself as a lifestyle publication for wealthy women with an interest-in high fashion and has remained reluciant to call itself a fashion

magazine.
"People couldn't tell if W was a newspaper or a magazine and it was confusing at the newsstand for some people," said Patrick McCarthy, executive editor of W. "We came out every two weeks and didn't fit into anything else they had in the category. We are still more of a lifestule magazine than a more of a lifestyle magazine than a fashion magazine."

Industry executives, however, questioned whether a still perilous magazine market could support five fashion publications.

"I think one of the beauties of W was its difference and its appeal to a different sort of fashion follower. women who were older, more sophisticated and more affluent than the reader of the fashion publica-

the reader of the fashion publica-tions," said Claude Fromm, media director of TBWA Advertising.
"If they go into the fray, they are going to have tough competition and the circulation base isn't that powerful," he added. "The field is highly competitive and I think it is a doomed prophecy."

■ Time on the Line

Time magazine said it would be available electronically starting in September. Each Sunday stories from the week's issue will be available to customers of America Online, which provides news, sports, weather and financial information and other services via personal computer, The Associated Press reported from New York.

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SEOUL - Workers at two units of South Korea's embattled Hyundai Group returned in work Monday, raising hopes for a quick end to the strikes affecting various branches of the nation's leading

exporter.
Tension lessened as the hulk of the riot police deployed around the many Hyundai factories in the southeastern city of Ulsan were pulled out witnesses said.

Union leaders and industry analysts said they were confident that workers at one key subsidiary, Hyundai Precision & Industry Co. would vote to accept a tentalive

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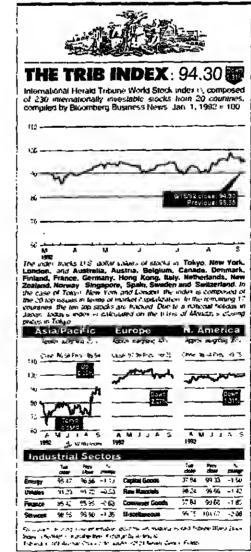
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CONTRACT: U.S. Sends Mixed Signals by Letting Japan Win State Job

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should have been raised during the prequalifi-Robert R. Kiley, president of Fischbach Corp., parent company of Fischbach & Moore, said that the State Department action was "incation phase."

conceivable to us." "If it's U.S. policy to combat the now well-established pattern of discriminatory practices against American contractors seeking public works in Japan, then awarding this contract to Obayashi flies right in the face of what the U.S. government says it wants," said Mr. Kiley.

There's no way we could have gotten down to the price of Obayashi." His company, which had Mitsui Construction Co. of Japan as a silent partner, has no plan to protest the award. Mr. Nagel said. However, Ms. Edmondson said that the State

In addition, Mr. Kiley doubted that Obayashi could do the job for the \$7.1 million that it bid. "We don't think they could possibly have done it at a better price than we bid, and still made any money," Mr. Kiley said.

Similarly, Carl Nagel, estimating manager of J.A. Jones' international division, said that "There's no way we could have some down to

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"It's unbelievable." Mr. Prestowitz said. "It's just another demonstration of the lack of seriousness on the part of the U.S. foreign policy bureaucracy about promoting U.S. economic

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Little Hands Grasp for Prosperity Thailand Grows on Child Labor But Will Pay Later

BANGKOK - Thailand a phenomenal economic growth in recent years owes much to the child scamstresses of the Pratman garment district in Bangkok.

It is a crowded quarter, filled with small garment factories that churn out the simple cotton dresses, blouses and slacks that are a staple in clothing stores worldwide. For young dressmakers like 15-year-old Raht, Pratmam is more than that. These

cramped shops, though illegal, offer one of the few legitimate ways for her to claim some small share of Thai prosperity —and help ber indebted family in Thailand's rural northeast. The price can be steep. Raht sometimes works 18 hours at a time on a sewing machine. then heads wearily upstairs to sleep on a mat on the factory's third floor in a room shared

with 10 other girls. She is paid by the piece, usually earning about 175 bahr (\$6.91) a day, most of which she sends home to her parents.

Having endured this grind for almost a year, the winsome dressmaker already looks forward to the day when she will bolt from Pratunam. "I don't want to stay in Bangkok,"

labor specialists and economists said. Up to 1.4 million children now work in Bangkok's underground manufacturing economy, mostly in small unlicensed factories, according to Samphasit Koomoraphant, a social worker with the Center for Protection of Children's Rights in Bangkok. Earlier this month, a morning fire at an illegal garment factory in central Bangkok killed 10 workers, eight of whom were be-lieved to be under the age of 18. In all but name they were slaves, as the owner had

locked them into the three-story, row-house

factory to prevent them from escaping.

Chances are, however, that she will stay,

In May, investigators found the bodies of six children among the 188 workers who died in a blaze that roared through a toy factory in suburban Bangkok owned by Kader Industrial (Thailand) Co. It was the worst workplace fire on record this year.

The kids were on their school vacation and just wanted to earn some money," said Voravidh Charoenloet, an economist at Chulangkor University, who represented the he conscripts in Thailand's army of working

Neighboring countries such as Vietnam, China and Indonesia already offer cheaper labor.

kids are caught up in a 20th-century reprise of Victorian England, when the same sort of grim economic realities drove children into the eatshops of Manchester and Leeds.

They are also a vital component in the country's growth. Thailand's large pool of cheap young workers explain in large measure its stunning rise within the Asia-Pacific region. Nearly 20 percent of Thailand's 60 million residents are under 15 —40 percent are younger than 25. The legal working age is 13 and that the minimum wage is only 125 baht.

This abundant supply of low-wage labor

attracted investment from Japanese, Hong Kong and Taiwan investors over the past decade that helped produce annual economic growth of 10 percent. About 2.5 million jobs have been created since 1988.

Yet the lax labor laws and inadequate

of children into Thai factories during the 1980s, could ultimately prove a drag on economic growth.

Already, neighboring countries such as Vietnam, China and Indonesia offer cheaper labor. The government's challenge will be to upgrade the skills of the work force, replicating the same marriage of buman abilities and technological prowess achieved previously in

South Korea, Singapore and Taiwan.
Thailand's education system teaches just the basics, requiring only six years study of its students. Many do not even spend that much time in the classroom due to the financial pressures on rural families. The drop-out rate anges as high as 50 percent in some of

Thailand's poorest regions.
Only about 30 percent of eligible Thais make it to high school. That is less than regional rivals such as the Philippines (71 percent), Singapore (69 percent), Malaysia (57 percent), and Indonesia (48 percent), and even Nepal, and indonesia (46 percent), and even repai, Ghana, and El Salvador boast bigger high-school enrollments, according to a study by Peregrine Brokerage Ltd. of Hong Kong.

Prime Minister Chuan Leekpai's government aims to increase compulsory education

to nine years and raise the legal working age to 15, but government officials admit that

day is a long way off.

In the meantime, children flock to the factories, or to brothels. For some rural Thai girls and boys, the vast flesh trade is the surest way out of poverty.

"It's easy money and it's good money," said Saisuree Chutikul, the prime minister's top adviser on women and children's issues. While she disputed one local estimate that 800,000 prostitutes under the age of 15 ply their trade nationwide, Ms. Saisuree said fighting child prostitution was a top priority.

China's Slowing Will Pare Growth In Hong Kong

Compiled by Our Stati From Dispatches HONG KONG - Economic growth could slow by as much as 1.2 percentage points next year be-cause of China's austerity measures, according to a report by

Hongkong Bank, released Monday.
"Hong Kong's economic performance will inevitably be affected by the projected downum of the Chinese economy, the bank, a unit of HSBC Holdings, said in its

monthly economic report. But China's overheated economy should return to healthy growth af-ter bottoming out in 1994, provided the austerity measures are carried out effectively, and Hong Kong will benefit over the longer term, the report said.

China's 14 percent growth since 1992 has grabbed world attention but left the economy gasping. Alarmed at inflation running at 12.5 percent and signs of unrest among workers and peasants, Beijing recently ordered a 16-point austerity plan to cut credit and public spending and direct more investment toward public works.

The bank said the austerity plan, if successful, would slow growth in China to around & percent for the remainder of 1993 and to 6 percent in 1994, before picking up to a higher but sustainable level.

But Beijing's cutback also is likely to slow Hong Kong's exports to enter as well."

China, the territory's biggest trading partner.

The Hong Kong government in March forecast this year's growth at 5.5 percent. Medium-term budget planning is based on expectations of annual growth of 5 percent for the next few years. The bank report forecast growth of 5.2 percent for 1993. (Reuters, AP)

■ Warning on Capitalism China warned its military Mon-

day that it must not be seduced by capitalism into forsaking its only true mission, which is to keep the Communist Party in power. Renters reported from Benjing.

China's two highest-ranking military officers said the military must not be distracted by the money-making opportunities and other temptations brought by economic

The article by Generals Liu Huaqing and Zhang Zhen, vice chairmen of the Central Military Commission, prominently dis-played in both the army's newspaper and the party publication People's Daily, said. "As we open wider to the outside world and study and borrow the advanced science and technology-management methods of capitalism, the corrupt thoughts and lifestyles of capitalism will seize the opportunity to

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Very briefly:

• Fujitsu Ltd. said it planned to produce a synchronous-transfer-mode switching system in the United States, calling it the "nucleus of the nextgeneration digital switching systems.

Japanese brokerage houses affiliated with major banks started business Monday, marking a new era in which banks and securities houses are

allowed to enter each other's turf through subsidiaries. Bank of Thailand cut its forecast for the growth in 1993 of Thailand 5.
 gross domestic product to 7.5 percent from 7.8 percent earlier, blaming

sluggish exports, poor farm-product sales and slow government infra-structure investment. The economy grew 7.4 percent in 1992. Japan Tobacco Inc., currently held by the Ministry of Finance, said it would apply to list its shares on the Tokyo Stock Exchange and on seven other Japanese exchanges.

Western Mining Corp. said it bad given up a claim to a copper and gold deposit valued at 200 million Australian dollars (\$135 million). Savage Resources, a small Sydney-based company, had accused Western Mining of trespassing on the site to which it holds a lease.

Japan's Cheap-Oil Windfall Fails to Reach the Consumer

TOKYO - With oil prices tumbling and the yen rising against the dollar - the currency in which oil is priced—the Japanese economy would seem ripe for a big lift.

But while Japanese oil, chemical, and utility companies are enjoying something of a windfall, consumers have not yet felt the economic benefits of lower prices at the pump even though oil prices are at a four-year-low in yen terms, and down 30 percent from a year ago.

And analysts argue that unless Japanese consumers are cut in on the nation's energy savings, the impact on the overall economy will probably be small. Consum-

ers drive about 60 percent of Japan's gross national

The positive impact to the economy is absolutely negligible," said Nicholas Smith, an oil analyst with Jardine Fleming in Tokyo. The Japanese government and oil companies have done damn well at not passing along the savings" to consumers, he said.

Cheaper oil is especially important for Japan, which

imports 99 percent of its oil. Despite a 22 percent drop in oil prices in yen terms

so far this year, the cost of a liter of gasoline is down only one yen to 140 yen (or about \$5 a gallon) since the end of last year, according to the Ministry of International Trade and Industry.

There is little sign that Japanese oil companies will share their good fortune with motorists any time soon. For instance, Nippon Oil Co. has already indicated that it will raise its gas prices by 0.9 yen per liter on all products starting in October to help underwrite the costs of new refining equipment.

Then there are the huge costs oil companies face to cope with new environmental regulations coming on ream to stem carbon and sulfur dioxide emissions. Jardine Fleming estimates the oil industry faces some 400 billion yen (\$3.8 billion) in investments to meet

Should recent pricing trends bold, Japanese oil companies could be in for a bonanza, Last year, about

one-third, or 10 billion yea, of Cosmo Oil Co.'s current profit came from the yea's 13 percent appreciation against the dollar, according to James Jason, an oil analyst with the brokerage James Capel.

Small wonder, then, that Japanese oil stocks have been a wild ride this year. Nippon's stock is up 33.3 percent, while the shares of Cosmo and Mitsubishi Oil are up 39 percent and 12.6 percent, respectively. A lot of the rise came earlier this year when the yen started to take off.

Tokyo Electric Power Co., Japan's largest electricity supplier, reaped 28 billion yen in savings for every one dollar decrease in oil prices and that should bold for this year too, a company spokesman said.

STAR: Murdoch's News Corp. Buys Control of Asia's Leading Satellite Broadcaster for \$525 Million

News Corp. tried to enter the fray in June, announce in the air." News Corp.'s Mr. Smith said. "There is ing its intention to buy 22.2 percent of Hong Kongs some doubt it will ever happen." based Television Broadcasts Ltd., the largest producer. of Chineso-language programming and an avidly watched network in southern China.

But difficulties gaining permission from Hong

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Kong broadcasting authorities and hints of displeaand Metro Goldywn Mayer Inc. are to supply programming for STAR-TV's English-language entertailment channel.

> The terms of Hutchvision's broadcasting license for STAR-TV allow it greater freedom than TVB has to take on partners from outside Hong Kong.

"Hutchvision Hong Kong Ltd. has proved a responsible licensee and has operated in accordance with its license conditions," a statement from the Hong Kong, government said. "We are confident that this situation will continue unchanged following the purchase that

This month, News Corp. also announced a strategie U.S. Magazine Planned alliance with the Australian government-owned tele-

communications company, Telestra Corp.

The powerful combination of News Corp. and STAR-IV is likely to prompt rival broadcasting groups to form alliances of their own to help them compete in Asia. On Thursday, a consortium of five international

television groups joined to reserve 16 transponders on a satellite scheduled to be launched soon, in a deal estimated to be worth as much as \$250 million.

The group included Hong Kong's TVB, the Ameri-

can news channel CNN International, the sports channel ESPN Asia, the American movie channel Home Box Office and the Australian government-controlled rtainment channel ATVI.

News America Publishing Inc., the U.S. publishing division of News Corp. that recently took over management of The New York Post, is planning to start its first magazine in more than three years. The New York Times reported from New York.

The magazine, to be called, Married Woman, will begin publication in January and will be aimed at young married women in their mid-20s through late Ms. News America said. The company said it expects initial sales of 350,000 for the magazine, which will be published every two months.

News America sold most of its magazines to K-III Magazines in 1991 for \$650 million as part of the parent company's debt-reduction effort.

Shanghai Petro Gets A Modest Reception

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG - One of China's biggest enterprises. Shanghai Petrochemical Co. made its debut on the Hong Kong stock market on Monday with a senior official insisting the listing was successful despite a less-than-overwhelming response from investors.

Shares in the industrial giant closed their first day of trading at 1.62 Hong Kong dollars, up 4 cents from their offer price. The issue, which raised a total of 2.65 billion dollars (\$340 million), was the most active in Hong Kong, accounting for 6.6 percent of total turnover. Shanghai Petrochemical's of-

fer was fraught with problems

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and delays, and two local companies caused a rumpus by pulling out of the underwriting syndicate amid doubts over its In the end, the Hong Kong

part of the issue was oversub-scribed just 0.77 times, a far cry from the 110 times oversubscription for Tsingtao Brewery Co. But Liu Hongru, chairman of China's Securities Regulatory Commission, dismissed the

doubts over China's ninth-big-. gest state enterprise. "The response to Sbanghai Petrochemical's float was not. that far away from what we had expected," he told reporters.

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Red Sox: And the Last Shall Be First by the Next July

By Murray Chass

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — When the season began. Butch Hobson was the clear-cut choice as the first manager who would be fired. The Boston Red Sox finished in last place for the first time since 1932, and Hobson apparently was not especially liked by the players in his rookie season as

manager.

Lou Gorman, however, was not among those predicting Hobson's early demise. "I never questioned him last year, because I felt it was unfair to judge him on that club," said Gorman, the Red Sox general manager, "I don't think God could have managed that club last year. It had

too many holes and too many injuries." The team that finished at the weekend and tied for first place is not that same team. "h's a great group of guys," Gorman ud, "with exceptional makeup, great in-

tensity, great attitude, great comradeship. We purposely tried to change the chemistry in the chibbonse. More than performance last year was the attitude of the ball club. It created a very negative atmosphere. There wasn't any intensity. We wanted to bring in a group who would have the best chemistry and intensity."

These Red Sox, the general manager added in a remarkable characterization for the baseball team in Boston, are almost like a family, unlike the more usual years when they were "25 guys taking 25 cabs."

But these Red Sox also were 13 games from the top of the American League East on June 20. Riding a vehicle that was plummeting toward the bottom of the division, they had lost 16 of 19 games.

Now, a pair of seven-game winning streaks and a 10-game winning streak later, the Red Sox have a firm foothold on the

"We left if the club stayed healthy, we could compete," Gorman said. "The probem was we didn't have anyone healthy."

Two-thirds of the outfield (Andre Dawson and Mike Greenwell), half of the in-field (Scott Fletcher and John Valentin) and the designated hitter, Ivan Calderon, have been on the disabled list. So have assorted others, most notably Roger Clemens, whose groin injury forced him to miss four starts during the Red Sox resurgence.

If any benefit can come from a disabled If any benefit can come from a disabled Clemens, though, the Red Sox discovered it the past month. His injury gave them an excuse to promote Aaron Sele, their firstround selection in the 1991 amateur draft, and the rookie responded with a 3-0 record and a 1.71 earned run average in his first

Sele has made an already strong pitching staff better. The Red Sox team earned-run average, 3.44 entering the weekend, is

the only one in the league under 4.00. two runs in 14 innings since he returned.

The relief corps, which undermined the team's effort last season, has been highly effective, even without Jose Melendez, whom Boston was counting on but who has been on the disabled list twice.

Jeff Russell, whom teams were reluctant to sign as a free agent because of a suspect elbow, has 25 saves, including five during the second seven-game winning streak. Greg Harris, who spells Russell, has recorded four saves and two victories during the Red Sox resurgence, and Ken Ryan has picked up three victories.

The offense also is more productive than last season's impotent attack. Mo Vaughn, Greenwell and Billy Hatcher are hitting better than 300 and Fletcher is rapidly approaching that plateau.

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Clemens has helped lower it, allowing only tant, but getting Fletcher back was really important," Gorman said. "Fletcher began to ignite the offense as the leadoff guy. He seems to be the gine of the ball club; he

The free agent second baseman, who will turn 35 Friday, should especially help the Red Sox against their archrivals. He has a .342 career average against the New York Yankees, by far his best average against any team.

Fletcher and the Red Sox will see the Yankees on Aug. 10, the date they return home after a 13-game trip that began

The entire town is caught up in the excitement of the ball club." Gorman said.
"They really like this club. It's like a happening in the park every night; there's so

Jordan 'Stars' Get Licking in Game Called Softball

CHICAGO - Michael Jordan may have won three National Bas-ketball Association championships with the Chicago Bulls, but his soft-ball team needs a little work.

Jordan's "all-star" team lost a six-inning charity softball game, 7-1. Sunday at Comiskey Park to a team led by the singer Michael Bol-

Jordan's team, which included the actors Daniel and William Baldwin, Tom Selleck and Mark Harmon, the singer Hammer, Magic Johnson, Evander Holyfield, the hockey star Chris Chelios of the Chicago Blackhawks and the broadcaster Ahmad Rashad, was

Jordan scored his team's only run following an error on Selleck's

"Michael brought in the heavy weights, but we dealt with them appropriately and swiftly," said Bolton, whose team consisted of his

"They were the better team to-day," Jordan said, adding: "People are used to seeing us in the spot-light. I hope they enjoyed seeing us in a new light today."

The game, to raise money for the Michael Jordan Foundation, which is to support children's charities, was played before the major league baseball game between the Chicago White Sox and the Milwaukee

Yanks, 8 Runs Back, Keep It 3-Act Drama

Mike Gallego understands the wrath of New York Yankee fans after experiencing first-hand the so-called Broax cheer.

Gallego's error at second base led to six uncarned runs in California's eight-run second inning, which threatened to spoil the afternoon for a crowd of 50,429, the largest in Yankee Stadium since opening day. Gallego, who has committed just six errors this season, was boosed his next at-bat.

That's the nature of this city, Gallego said. "It's tough to swallow at times. I think my wife and kids took it harder than I did."

But the torrid Yankees, struck by But the torrid Yankees, struck by what designated hitter Danny Tartabul thought was either "meant to be, or karma," rallied to win, 9-8, for a sweep of their four-game series with the Angels.

That was good news for Gallego, who was off the hook whea Pat Kally's designer single canned a

Kelly's decisive single capped a two-run ninth.

"It's a great win, a great come-back," Gallego said. "Wow!" By winning, the Yankees re-mained tied with Toronto and just one percentage point behind Bos-ton in the wild American League East. Earlier, the Red Sox had won their 10th straight by beating Oak-

It was the Yankees' biggest comeback since June 26, 1987, when they trailed Boston by 9-0 and won, 12-11, in 10 immigs.

"We were down 8-0," Kelly said. Everybody in the dugont was saying. We're going to win this game. We're going to win this game. Donnie Mattingly was saying. Don't give up." They didn't

Shortstop Gary DiSarcina, California's most dependable fielder, became the goat instead as the Angels lost their ninth straight.

With California still ahead, 8-7, Steve Frey walked Tartabull to open the bottom of the ninth, and Mike Stanley's potential double-play grounder went through DiSarcina's legs. Ron Tingley's passed ball advanced the runners and Bernie Williams was intentionally walked to load the bases.

Paul O'Neill's sacrifice tied it. Gallego advanced pinch-runner Hensley Mealens to third with a fly Kelly then singled to left. It was a bad error, DiSarcina

said "I just don't know what to say. after that. Routine ground ball. I have no idea how I missed it."

California, which scored just 15 runs in its previous eight games, got just two hits after the eight-run,

The Yankees' comeback bega in the second when Stanley hit his 17th homer and sixth in seven games. Tartaball and Williams smgled in runs in the third, and Wade Boggs' RBI ground out in the fourth made it 8.4.

Tartabuli hit an RBI ground out in the seventh, and O'Neil's tworun double on a ball that Stan Javier overran in center made it a "We found a new way to lose

one," said the Angels' manager, Buck Rodgers.

Blue Jays 9, Rangers 7: Roberto Alomar's three-run homer for To-

AL ROUNDUP

ronto in the top of the ninth ruined ronto in the top of the ninth ruined Texas' comeback from a 6-1 deficit.

Turner Ward and Devon White opened the ninth with singles off Tom Henke. Then Alomar hit a 1-1 pitch to the opposite field, the ball glancing off the left-field foul pole, for his 11th home run of the season. for his 11th home run of the season.

In earlier games, reported in some Monday editions:
Indians 11, Mariners 9: Kenny Lofton hit a tiebreaking sacrifice fly in the eighth as Cleveland beat visiting Seattle with the help of Al-

bert Belle's two homers.

They tied Belle for the league lead, at 28, with the Mariners' Ken Griffey Jr., who, with a two-run homer in the fifth, set a team record by homering in his sixth straight game. He's two away from the maor-league record of eight consecutive games, set by Pittsburgh's Dale Long in 1956 and tied by Don Mat-ingly of the New York Yankees in

Twins 5, Orioles 2: Shane Mack got three hits as Minnesota, playing at home, got eight hits and four earned runs in 6½ innings against Baltimore's Ben McDonald, who was coming off a one-hit shutout of Kansas City five days earlier.

Tigers 3, Royals & Mike Moore pitched a secont single in the secont single in the second

Joyner's one out single in the secand — to end a six-game winless streak, and host Detroit defeated Kansas City to end a six-game

Brewers 7, White Sox 3: Tom Lämpkin and Tom Brunansky hit consecutive homers in a four-run sixth as Milwankee won in Chica-

Giants Top Phillies, 8-4, in Season Series

The San Francisco Giants would like nothing more than to play the Philadelphia Phillies in October for ine National League pennant.
When the two first-place teams had finished their season series Sunday, the Giants had won eight

of the 12 games. The Giants took three of four weekend games from the visiting Phillies as Bill Swift pitched seven arong innings Sunday in a 5-2 vic-tory. He gave up three hits and struck out nine for his fourth con-

Barry Bonds hit a two-run bomer off reliever Larry Andersen in the seventh inning for a major league-leading 29 home runs and 79 RBIs.

NL ROUNDUP

He finished with a .364 average, five bomers and 16 RBIs against 'We've caught the Phillies when

taley're down," Bonds said. They've got a lot of nagging injunes. We wouldn't mind playing them in the playoffs. The Phillies are very strong vs. their own division. But the main thing is getting there. Who you play is irrelevant. The Phillies saw their lead over

second-place St. Louis sliced to four games, while the Giants maintained their nine-game margin over · Cardinals 5, Rockies 4: Todd Zeile had four hits and drove in two

ued in the ninth. Further misfortune hit the Rockies when doctors reported that Andres Galarraga, the National League's leading hitter, will be lost

for about three weeks because of a After performing a magnetic res-onance imaging test on Sunday, doctors said Galarraga has a moderate sprain of the medial collateral ligament in his right knee. The first paseman was then put on the 15-

day disabled list. He was injured in the ninth inaing Saturday night when he collid-ed with second baseman Roberto Mejia as they chased a foul pop-up.

Roberson, who tied the score with a home run in the ninth, hit an RBI single in the 11th as Chicago won in

Mets 4, Dodgers 0: Eric Hillman pitched a five-hitter for his first major league complete game and Joe Orsulak hit a home run as New York won in Los Angeles.

Expos 5, Padres 4: Marquis Grissom, who ended an 0-for-16 slump with an RBI double in the eighth. scored the go-ahead run on an error in the 10th as Montreal won in San Diego for its 10th victory against Padres this season.

John Wetteland, who blew a save opportunity by allowing Billy Bean's ninth-inning homer, got the

Marlins 7, Reds 3: Orestes Destrade hit a two-run homer as Florida beat visiting Cincinnati. Destrade walked and was 3-forwith an RBI single in a four-run

fifth inning and his eighth homer in

■ In an earlier game, reported in some Monday editions:

Braves 13. Pirates I: David Justice had four hits and three RBIs as Atlanta finished a weekend demolition of host Pittsburgh's pitching The Braves outhit the Pirates, 21-4. giving them 67 hits as they took three of four in the series by outscoring the Pirates, 37-17.



Ozzie Guillen, the shortstop of the White Sox, was the only one on the right field as he, Michael Jordan and Magic Johnson watched their team take a pounding by a bunch of musicians.

Dante Bichette hit a two-run homer in the eighth to put the Rockies ahead, 4-3, but the Cards teed in the ninth. For Saints' and Eagles' Big Game in Tokyo, NFL Weighs In With Some Big Numbers.

The Associated Press

TOKYO - Even before the exhibition season gets underway, the National Football League is ready with loads of statis-

The New Orleans Saints and Philadelphia Eagles open their exhibition season Saturday in the Tokyo Dome, and an

advance party from New Orleans has weighed in with this: Total weight of the Saints travel party will be approximately 68,600 pounds (31,182 kilograms). That breaks down to: Saints players, 20,025 pounds; player baggage, 21,200 pounds; staff and guests baggage. 46,700 pounds. Further statistics: it will be a 6.400-

mile (10,240-kilometer) trip to Tokyo on Tuesday for 348 team members and guests, including six jazz musicians coming along to "add the New Orleans flavor to the proceedings."

Although organizers say tickets are selling a bit slower than usual, the American Bowl professional exhibition series has been played in Tokyo to sellout or near-sellout crowds each year since it was first held in 1989.

Unlike past years, player schedules will not be filled with visits to Kabuki the aters, museums and other cultural sights. They want more time to rest and relax between practices.

Organizers are trying to work in a visit

The San Francisco 49ers and the Pittsburgh Steelers are to arrive in Barcelona on Tuesday — presumably with at least on Tuesday — presumably with at least as much luggage, plus a group of cheer-leaders, total weight unknown — for an-other exhibition game, this one Sunday night in Olympic Stadium. The teams will bold practices there through the week.

The 49ers said Sunday that Pro Bowl running back Ricky Watters had agreed to a two-year contract. Terms were not

Watters missed 12 days of training camp, but said he had worked out during the holdout and was anxious to carry the

The Saints reported that tight end Irv Smith, the second of their two first-round draft choices, had signed a four-year contract with an option year.

tract with an option year.

The Eagles hoped to to sign their No. I draft pick, Lester Holmes, before departing for Tokyo on Tuesday.

"In my opinion, it's critical that Lester Holmes go to Tokyo," said the contract negotiator for the Eagles, Bob Wallace.

In other training camps:
Packers — Reggie White's impact on the defense was expected. His impact on the fans is something else.

to a U.S. aircraft carrier or an army base, however.

football again. He was to join the club in time for its departure Monday for Barce of the control of t watch the Packers take part in an intrasquad scrimmage in Green Bay.
"When I walked out there and saw all

those people, that was an experience like none other," he said.

White was the target of intense hidding

by numerous NFL teams after last sea-son. He finally agreed to a \$17 million deal with the Packers. every time the public address announcer mentioned White, the crowd

and no sacks, seeing action on 15 plays.

ney, Chicago's third-round draft pick, will miss up to 10 weeks after breaking a collarbone during Saturday's scrimmage.

Gedney was a first-team All-America so-lection after grabbing 34 passes for 587 yards and five touchdowns at Syracuse ast scason Rans — Arthroscopic surgery revealed a torn cartilage and a bone chip in run-ning back David Lang's right knee. Ex-pected to battle first-round draft pick cheered. White, who signed with the Packers as a free agent after eight seasons in Philadelphia, finished with two tackles

Jerome Bettis for a starting job, Lang will

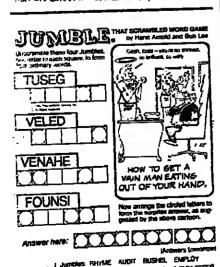
miss eight to 12 weeks, the Rams said.

Bears - Rookie tight end Chris Ged-

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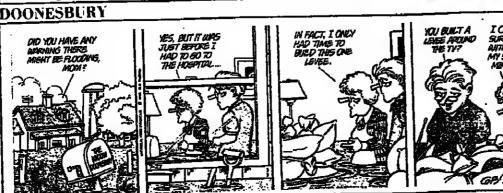




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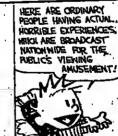






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SPORTS SOCC

Indurain: 3 Titles But No Panache

By Samuel Abt International Herald Tribune

went to a Tex-Mex restaurant. The team next year," Armstrong added, Banesto team went to a night club.

Most everybody who finished the to continue sponsoring the team for Tour de France went somewhere in another year after it first said it Paris afterward to celebrate.

It's certain that a little time was spent during the festivities in discussing the 80th Tour and how it will be ranked. A difficult one, certainly. A fast one, surely — the fifth

lastest. A great one, not really.
The problem was that once again Miguel Indurain dominated the bicycle race from the first day's prologue until reaching the victory po-dium on the 23d day. Having won his third straight Tour after two successive Giros d'Italia, the Spaniard can look back and see how intimidated his opponents were and how unwilling to attack him. After the first individual time

trial, the ninth of 20 stages, Indurain was in the familiar yellow jersey of overall leader and be was barely challenged from then to the finish Sunday. The Tour de France basically became a battle for second and third places, the two steps on the victory podiom flanking the winner but a little lower.

"I tell you, it would be a great race if he wasn't in it," said Lance Armstrong, the young Motorola rider, as he watched the final time trial oo Saturday. "It would be much more exciting without him.

"It might even be better for the sport — a serious, serious race. But you can't blame the guy for that. He dominates."

Armstrong, who dropped out af-ter the Alps because, at age 21, he had put enough demands on his body, rejoined his team for the final two stages and then the traditional Tex-Mex celebration party. "A Texas boy like me wouldn't

miss a time like that," he said. Like the rest of the 180 riders who started the Tour, Armstrong was impressed by Indurain, "Very impressed," be said. "He's definitely the best bike racer around. I look at him as the ultimate. If I came close to idolizing anybody, it would

"I'd love to ride with a guy like that. Had we not gotten the renew-PARIS - The Motorola team al, I would have loved being on his to continue sponsoring the team for would bow out after this season, its

third as financial backer.

Looking fit and relaxed at the time trial's start in Bretigny sur Orge, south of Paris, Armstrong paid a meaningful personal compliment to Indurain.

"He's got a super attitude," be said. "He's not obnoxious, he's quiet, he respects the other riders, be never fusses. He's so mild-man-nered. I really like him."

So much so that the 29-year-old Spaniard seems to have become a role model for the likable and sensitive Armstrong, who has occa-sionally been considered brash. "I still have a temper and an attitude sometimes," he confessed.

"I wouldn't mind molding my-self into his sort of character," he said. "Really quiet, just goes about

That is the admiring way to put it. Another way began turning up in the French press even before the Tour ended.

"We could have expected the Spanish champion to impose him-self with more panache," commented Le Figaro during the weekend. "He had the means and the possibility." But be had not shown panache, the newspaper said. "A question of temperament, certainly."

As the Tour neared its finish, observers frequently charged Indur-ain with a lack of panache, an absence of flair and exploit. His willingness to allow rivals to win individual stages as long as be won the Tour came under criticism, too. Where was the emotion, the rage to win, that marks a great Tour de France?

"I follow my own road without worrying what people say," Indur-ain said in the sports newspaper L'Equipe on Monday when he was inevitably asked about panache. "Only I know what this third victory has cost me in energy."

The truth is that much of Indur-

Merten Wins Women's Open as Leaders Falter

tied for the lead until the 13th, faded to 74-283.

the lead several times on the back nine. But.

playing in the fourth-to-last group on a day of gusty breezes, scaring beat and tense emotions. Merien quietly turned Crooked Stick upside-

down and then had to watch hoth Andrews and

Alfredsson take aggressive runs at a tie.

Andrews, 26, was first, hitting a good ap-

Next came Alfredsson, 28, who bad begue the day with a two-shot lead but played a

nervous, fitful round that had produced only

one birdie. She crushed her drive down the

middle of the fairway on the 400-yard (364-

meter) putt a foot to the left of the bole.

proach to the 18th but mis

Each made a run, with four golfers tied for



Boro Primorac, the former Valenciennes coach, said he stood by his allegations during Monday's hearing before the investigating judge.

emotion. Is he too kind to his oppo-nents? L'Equipe asked."1 try to be calm, to give the maximum, to be the best possible, the most professional possible. When I win, it's perfect, but when I lose, I don't make a big thing of it."

He has adopted a formula — the same one Jacques Anquetil used to
win five Tours de France two desomehow not yet been accused of cades ago - of crushing his rivals in time trials and staying with the best climbers in the mountains, Power is the key, not emotion. For panache, substitute reserve.

At a news conference Saturday Indurain was asked if thought be could win five Tours de France, like Anquetil, Eddy Merckx and Bernard Hinault, "That's a lot for one lifetime," he replied. "I'll take them one year at a time."

Tony Rominger, the Swiss rider de France, be won it.

ain's strength is based on his lack of who finished second, is considered computerlike in his training and racing habits. When Rom doctor said he would peak in the last week of the three-week race. Rominger followed the programing: two second places in the Pyrenees and a victory in the final time trial.

Indurain, whose results are just being a computer. "I can be beaten," be said at the

news conference just after Rominger did beat him, by 42 seconds in the time trial. "I never pretended that I can't be beaten." Indurain did not look happy at

the thought but he did not look unhappy either. He spoke in his usual monotone. His job was to answer questions, he answered them. His job was to win the Tour

meter) 18th and, from 143 yards, nearly flew her 8-fron approach into the cup. But instead of stopping, the ball rolled 15 feet past. Alfredsson, who six times had stepped away

from shots after addressing them on the back nine, stood over her birdie putt for a long while, then pushed it wide by six inches.

• Paul Azinger shot 3-under-par 68 to win the New England Classic in Sutton, Massachu-

Bobby Clampett, who began the day a shot



behind Azinger, was within two until the 17th, where his approach shot hit just short of the fringe, kicked back into a hazard and led to a Miguel Indurain and his wife, Marisa, arriving at a restaurant in double-bogey 6. He pressed for a birdie at 18, Miguel Indurain and his wife, Marisa, arriving at a restaurant in took a bogey-6 and tied for third. (WP, NYT, AP) Paris to celebrate his third straight Tour de France victory.

Marseille Case Focus Turns Toward the **Unrepentant Tapie**

Compiled by Our Stuff From Dispatches PARIS - Reopening the second that his soccer career is over. . . front in the Olympique Marseille match-fixing case, investigators probed deeper Monday into allegations that the French soccer champion's owner, Bernard Tapie, tried to persuade the other team's coach to take the fall.

Boro Primorac, the former coach for Valenciennes, was questioned about his allegations that Tapie offered him money and career opportunities to become a scapegoat.

Primorac said on leaving the courthouse in Valenciennes that he had repeated his allegations against Tapie during three hours of quesnoning by the investigating judge, Bernard Beffy.

Primorac's contentions are the only part of the bribery case directly implicating Tapie, who earlier Monday called the coach a liar and accused prosecutors of taking a new tack in trying to destroy him. In an interview with the daily newspaper Liberation, Tapie heaped derision on Primorac's story and excused himself for recent attacks on television crews.

Primorac, fired as Valenciennes' coach after the team was demoted to the second division —a May 20 loss to Marseille sealing its fate - claims that he met Tapie at the Paris headquarters of the entrepre-

neur's financial group in mid-June. Primorac has said that while he was there Tapic spoke with Marseille's coach, Marc Bourrier, by telephone.

"You can't believe that I'd be talking to the coach of my team in front of Primorac," Tapie told Liberation, "You can believe I'm a hood, but don't think I'm stupid," The two men were brought be-

fore Beffy earlier this month. "When Primorae was confronted with me before the judge, and I said that this man is a liar, he didn't say anything," Liberation quoted Tapie as saying.

Marseille has been accused of offering three Valenciennes players a bribe to go easy on Olympique, because it bad to play the Champi-ons' Cup final against AC Milan six days later. Marseille upset the Italian team. I-0, to win both the European and the French titles.

Marseille's general manager, Jean-Pierre Bernes, who is accused of being the man behind the bribe. esigned Sunday.

A court had freed him from prison Thursday after two weeks' dethat be orchestrated the bribe offer. Bernes, in resigning, said that he did not want the club's season

"held hostage" to his case. His silence appeared to have mo-

him. But league officials suggested

"It's logical that he resigned, the French league's president. Next Le Graet, told France-Info radio. "At the age of 36, it's possible to change careers... I'm pretty happy, he's leaving football."

The league has said that its disciplinary board will start punishing those involved within two weeks. Asked whether be thought that the guilt of Bernes and the three players who have been formally placed under investigation had been estab-lished. Le Graet said: 'Yes. I think it's relatively clear."

The Valenciennes players and Marseille midfielder Jean-Jacques Eydelie, who turned over 250,000 francs (\$45,000) to the wife of a player who faked a match injury. have accused Bernes of ordering the bribes.

"If the proceedings show his in-nocence, as I hope, he will resum: his duties," Tapie told Liberation.

Le Graet also criticized Bernefor taking a lap of honor in Marseille as the league began its new season Saturday, and said he intended to reprimand Olympique for refusing to allow journalists from the state television channels France-2 and France-3 into the stadium...

Tapie said all journalists there invited in but only the private channels TF1 and Canal+ had permission to film the match.

French law allows all media in cover matches for news purposes. even if one channel has the exclusive rights to show the whole

Earlier, the Marseille Press Club joined in the condemnation of Olympique Marseille for refusing to allow the cameramen into the

A France-2 cameraman was seen on television being butted by a middle-aged Marseille fan and abused by others apparently angered by the coverage of the onitery case.

Last week, Tapie left his luxory yacht, anchored in a harbor acc: Marseille, to board a France-3 (co.) attempting to film him and Berneaboard the vessel. Tapie graphed the camera being used and threw it into the sea. His offer of a replacement was rejected by France-2, which has filed a complaint with the police.

Tapie told the southern French newspaper Le Provencal that he tention failed to make him confess had responded to "anacceptar"

"When television journalists use their cameras like rifles with relescopic lenses, they'd better bear in mind that I am not prepared to a. mentarily stalled the case against as a target."

SCOREBOARD

CARMEL, Indiana - Lauri Merten, a 33-

year-old veteran who hadn't won a golf tourna-

ment in nine years, has won the most presti-

gious one of all on the women's tour.

She birdied two of the final three holes Sunday to sneak in and win the U.S. Women's

Open at water-logged Crooked Stick Golf Club.

of 8-under-par 280, one stroke better than Hel-

en Alfredsson of Sweden and Donna Andrews.

Merten, 33. shot a final-round 68 for a total

"I made shots I'll probably never be able to

Hall of Famer Pat Bradley, who had the lead

with four holes left, then went three-over to

finish at 73-283. Hiromi Kobayashi of Japan.

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SIDELINES **England Loses Test, Then Gooch** LEEDS, England (AP) — After watching his team suffer the latest m a run of embarrassing defeats, Graham Gooch resigned Monday as En-

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minutes after Australia took an insurmountable 3-0 lead in the summer Series with an innings victory at Headingley. Under Gooch, England won 10 Tests, lost 12 and tied 12. The team has lost eight of its last nine matches, its last victory coming exactly one year

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gland's cricket captain.

Gooch, who has led England in 34 Tests since 1988, stepped down

LA PAZ, Bolivia (AP) — Three-time World Cup champion Brazil was shocked, 2-0, by Bolivia oo Sunday as it loss for the first time in World Cup soccer qualifying. Brazil had ued Ecuador, 0-0, last week but was 24-0-7 in Cup qualifying, and won the tournament in 1958, 1962 and 1970. It was its first loss to Bolivia since 1979.

• Mexico battered the United States, 4-0, to win the Gold Cup. the

biennial tournament for nations from North and Central America and the Caribbean. Mexico, barred from 1990 World Cup qualification for using an meligible player in a youth tournament, has already qualified for the 1994 World Cup in the United States.

For the Record

Jeannie Longo, the women's world cycling champion, fell in Le Mans and suffered a fractured skull during the first stage of the women's Titue de France. Terry Venables, fired two months ago as chief executive of the English Premier League team Tottenham, filed a £1 million claim for wrongful

Linford Christie, the Olympic 100-meter champion, pulled out of Wednesday's meet in Sestriere, Italy, to concentrate on Friday's \$300,000 race with world record-holder Carl Lewis in Gateshead, England, 1/1P)

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WASHINGTON — So it's fi-nally settled. Gays can serve in the U.S. armed forces as long as

they don't talk about it. The Joint Chiefs of Staff call it an honorable compromise, and it sounds very easy to enforce.

Somewhere in Somalia, two Americans are in a foxhole. Private

Class Dumbarton says, "Austin. have you ever been in love?" Austin Wilshire Savs. Once, a few

years ago. "Wilshire, are

you gay?"
"You're not permitted in ask me that, and I am not permitted to tell you. But Arnold was the only person I ever gave my heart to. Does the army know that you toved Arnold?"

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"I don't think so, If they did I would be very upset since they aren't supposed to pry into my pri-

"What happened between you and Arnold?" "He sent me a 'Dear John' let-

Boos and Cheers At Wagner Fest

PAYREUTH, Germany
Opening night at the annual
Richard Wagner Festival was a
wild success for singers Siegfried
Jerusalem and Waltraud Meier but
director Heiner Muller was booed for his new staging of "Tristan und

Mueller, a playwright and dra-matist from the East German tradition of Bertolt Brecht, said after Sunday's premiere the boos at least showed his version of Wagner's opera had some impact. "A unanimously accepted piece is probably already dead," he said after the opening of the five-week Wagner

lt was Müller's first opera, his first encounter with Wagner, and his first work for Bayreuth.

"Why didn't he send you a 'Dear Austin' letter?"

Because nobody sends a GI a Dear Austin' letter. When you kiss someone of , the letter has to come

"My girl's name is Rhoda." "Are you in love with a woman?" That's none of your damn busi-

ness. The army says that my sexual orientation is not a public matter. If I want to attend heterosexual movies with Rhoda, and hang out in bars patronized equally by men and women - it's my privilege."

"Don't get upset, I'm not going to turn you in just because I heard about you dancing with a girl. At the same time I don't expect you to report me because you see me sitting an a park bench with some Tom, Dick or Harry."

"I believe it's a terrible thing for a guy to break up with a soldier when the GI is overseas lighting for his country."
"I feel the same way. I never

want to see Arnold again."

Dumbartan said, "It's lonely in Somalia. It's not one of those places where a guy can pick up a

"Or a boy. The army wants us to stay away from the locals because it would only complicate our mis-"I can understand their thinking.

I don't want to meet someone here and then be hurt when I have to

"You mean a guy?"
"I don't have to tell you what I

"Don't get mad at me. I was just curious about what kind of person ou were going to leave behind."
"He could be bisexual, for all know. There are no rules about falling in love with a bisexual."
"Of course not, unless you both

walk down lover's lane in drag. Wnuld you like to see a picture of "I'd love to. Would you like to

see a photo of Arnold?" Yes, very much. . . He's

handsome. I can see why the 'Dear John' letter upset you. He's worth "Like Kipling said, The civilians don't give a damn for you once the

lighting stops."

Mike Myers: Life After 'Wayne's World'

By Steve Oney
OS ANGELES — Sitting in the back L of a Sunset Strip restaurant hunched over a club sandwich. Mike Myers is saying, "It's a lot of fun to be in an arrested state of adolescence. As the actor who plays Wayne Campbell of "Wayne's World, the "Saturday Night Live" skit that spawned the wildly successful film of the same name. Myers speaks with some

authority on this matter. "Wayne's World" did more than bring to life two legitimately gnarly dudes in Wayne and his cohort, Garth Elgar (Dana Carvey). It also gave birth to a rambunctious teenage lexicon (the use, for instance, of the word "not" at the end of sentences to negate their content) and coined the vallying cry of a generation; "Party on."

Yet an this summer afternoon, the actor—pale, puckish face peering out from beneath a baseball cap, lithe frame clad in black T-shirt, black jeans and black sneak ers - is less concerned with youth than manurity. In part, Myers's new interest arises from the topic of his new film, "So I Married an Axe Murderer."

In this \$20 million effort to blend sus-In this \$20 million effort to blend sus-pense with comedy, the actor plays Charlie Mackenzie, an aspiring San Francisco poet so petrified by the thought of matri-mony that he concocts increasingly im-probable rationales for dumping girl-friends until he falls in love with the one woman it seems he genuinely ought to avoid—the proprietor of the Meats of the World butcher shop (Nancy Travis), quite

possibly a killer. For Myers, however, it's not just the movie that has brought him to the frighten-ing precipice of adulthood. In the past year and a half, the actor has turned 30, gotten married and suffered the death of his father. "Between 16 and 25." Myers says, "you think you're immortal. Then a parent dies

and you're aware of your mortality.

Constantly reminding the actor of this sobering fact is his wedding band, a gold signet ring that belonged to his father.
"My dad was an Encyclopedia Britannica salesman," he remarks by way of explain-ing the ring's seal of the University of Edinburgh, the city where the encyclope-dia originated in 1768. "He won this for

being salesman of the year."
Growing up, in short, is much on Myers's mind these days, and for a number of reasons "So I Married an Axe Murderer" opens a window on how he is handling it.
To begin with the movie implicitly asks a
question faced by many earlier "Saturday Night Live" alumni: Can the actor advance beyond sketch comedy to sustain a complex performance? There is another question, involving reports that Myers behaved like. well, an adolescent during the making of the



Myers tackles a romantic role in "So I Married an Axe Murderer."

film: Can be cope with the responsibilities inherent in being a movie star?

To Thomas Schlamme, the director of "So I Married an Axe Murderer" and someone who clashed frequently with Myers during production, there is no doubt about

the actor's ability to negotiate the creative transition. "What was great about Mike's performance is he was able to play a romantic lead and play scenes straight while not destroying the comedy," says the director. But when it comes to the topic of what it

measures his words far more carefully. "It's no secret that this was a hard movie to make. Mike has a very strong point of view. That's his best trait and his worst trait." Beyond this, the director will not venture.

Most of Myers's conflicts during filming apparently resulted from the actor's extraordinarily good relations with his co-

workers. Not. For starters, Myers attracted negative publicity when he asked the movie's origioal writer, Robbie Fox, for a shared screenplay credit. Fox complained to the press, then defeated the actor in a Writers Guild arbitration. (By all accounts, Myers and his writing partner, Neil Mullarkey, did contribute significantly to the script.)

Then there were Myers's people skills.
According to a studio executive who visited the set, the actor's quarters were dominated by a bulletin board covered with multicolored index cards. Asked to explain the system, Myers is said to have told the execuive, who spoke on the condition of ano-nymity: The blue cards are for scenes I'm, in by myself. The pink are for the ones I'm in with the girl. And the white are for those I'm not in at all and don't care about."

Finally, Myers's on-set mutritionist set tongues wagging. According to the actor, his diet needed medical supervision. "I had hypoglycemia, and I had to get it in control," be says. Less charitable accounts hold that the nutritionist was on board to

get Myers in fighting shape for a sequence that required him to shed his pants.

Myers says he can't believe anyone objected to his behavior during filming. "It was a happy set," he maintains. "There were lots of laughs." And, indeed, there had there were lots of the part also the less enjoyable were, but there were also the less enjoyable moments that give rise to conflicting schools of thought regarding the actor's frame of mind. One speculates that when "Wayne's World," which eventually earned more than \$200 million, reached \$100 mil-

ion, Myers changed, contracting what is usually referred to as star syndrome.

The other view, advanced by close friends, is more understanding. Observes Bomie Turner, who co-wrote "Wayne's "Wayne's "Wayne's "Start of the start of the star Bonnie Turner, who co-wrote "Wayne's World" and is now working on a sequel to which Myers and Carvey will reprise their roles: "When Mike was a nobody, he was called 'seriously creative." Now that he's Mike Myers, be's called 'difficult. The thing is, he's always been the same. We drive each other to the edge, but if we start to fall loff are well the other had. He to fall off, we pull the other back. He believes in myth and magic, and he knows they're not easy to achieve."

Steve Oney, who has written about Hollywood for Premiere and GQ, wrote this for The New York Times.

PEOPLE

Have Wedding Dress, Will Travel, Marla Says

Donald Trump and Maria Maples are not getting married — at least not yet. Maria, who is 6½ months pregnant, said in an interview that her france has "a little freak-out" whenever the subject of marriage comes up. She says she is still taking her wedding dress with her wherever she travels. You've got to be prepared," she said. As for The Donald, who spent millions and three years divorcing his first wife. Ivana: "I'm not going through with it," he said. "Maria's a fantastic woman but I seem to have a phobia about marriage." But the reluctant bridegroom added: "Hey! I'm happy about the baby."

Mick Jagger spent his 50th birth-day Monday recording an album with the Rolling Stones at guitarist Ron Wood's Dublin home. In a broadcast interview, he said: "You supposedly get different as you get older I'm not so appressive I'm not older. I'm not so aggressive. I'm not so ready to punch people out as I used to be." What a drag it is.

A second biographer says author Joe McGinniss improperly lifted her work for his forthcoming book on Senator Edward M. Kennedy. Doris Kearns Goodwin said that McGinniss's "The Last Brother" improperly quotes from her sources and cites a letter she used for her book."The Frizgeralds and the Kennedys." without crediting her. Earlier, author William Manchester er, author withhin tranchester complained in New York magazine that McGimniss essentially lifted passages from his 1967 book "The Death of a President." Meanwhile, Simon & Schuster has launched a counterattack, circulating a docu-ment that accuses Manchester of lifting material from Hugh Sidey's 1963 book, "John F. Kennedy, President" for his 1983 memoir, "One Brief Shining Moment."

Cancellation of Michael Jackson's Hong Kong concert next month means scrapping his plans for a grandiose entry into Victoria Harbor on a sailing junk, dressed as a Chinese emperor, according to a Hong Kong newspaper.

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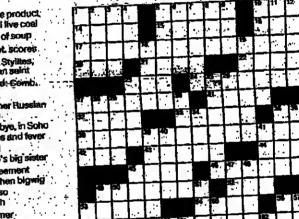
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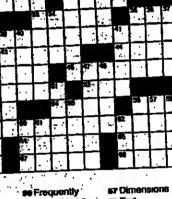
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If you're going to travel all over the map, here's how to call from almost any point on it.





On Plans for Ethnic Division By David B. Ottaway - Negotiations to settle the fate of Bosnia got under way here Tuesday as leaders of the three warring factions and the presidents of Serbia, Montenegro and Croatia gathered for what could be the final attempt to find a peaceful resolution to the 15-month-old

After a 90-minute meeting with the two international mediators, Lord Owen and Thorvaid Stoltenberg, President Alija Izetbegovic of Bosnia-Herzegovina said some progress was made although hard bargaining over a joint Serbian-Croatian proposal for the division of the country into a loose confederation of three autonomous ethnic states had yet to begin.

John Mills, spokesman for Lord Owen and Mr. Stoltenberg, also reported some progress during Tuesday's first round of meetings

with all participants.

They include the leader of the Bosnian Serbs, Radovan Karadzic, and the head of the Bosnian Croat faction, Mate Boban, as well as President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia and the Croatian president, Franjo Tudiman.

Mr. Izetbegovic's Muslim-led government, reduced to control of about 10 percent of the country, is still seeking to preserve Bosnia-Herzegovina as a multiethnic federal state, but even Lord Owen has publicly said that such a solution is no longer realistic given the Serb control of over 70 percent. The Bosnian Muslim president

presented to the two mediators a slightly revised version of the government's plan for a federation of between four and 18 multiethnic provinces that seems to have virtually no chance of winning over its Serbian and Croatian enemies.

Lord Owen has been pressing Bosnia's faction-ridden 10-member presidency to accept the Serbian-Croatian proposal for a loose confederation of three ethnic states, warning of an all-out offensive by the Bosnian Serbs to complete their military victory if it does not agree to such an arrangement.

The two international mediators are hoping to secure more territory for a Muslim state in central Bosnia that would comprise 30 to 31 percent of the country and give it actected corridors both to the Adriatic Sea to the west and Cro-

atia to the north. United Nations sources here described the center of the proposed Muslim state as basically the triangular area between the Muslimand Zenica.

It would have an appendage of land running eastward to the three last Muslim-held towns in castern Bosnia - Gorazde, Jepe and Srebrenica - and a corridor extending northward to Brcko on the Croatian border.

This concept of a Muslim state appears to be based on a map that Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudjman have already been discussing as a basis for three separate ethnic states.

Mr. Karadzie and Mr. Boban met Mr. Izetbegovic on Tuesday night in the presence of the two international mediators, marking the first time leaders of the three warring communities have beld direct discussions on a settlement in

Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudiman were also at the meeting, as was President Momir Bulatovic of Montenegro, the other remaining republic of Yugoslavia.

Both Mr. Milosevic and Mr. Tudiman are backing the plan for a confederation of three ethnic states and have proposed giving the Muslims around 26 percent of the coun-

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Before the war, the Muslims constituted 44 percent of a population of 4.4 million.

Paris Asks Air Cover France called on the United Na-

tions and the North Atlantic Treaty Organization on Tuesday to quickly provide air cover to protect UN peacekeepers in Bosnia-Herzegovina, Agence France-Presse reported from Paris.

French peacekeeping troops on Tuesday came under fire in Sarajevo for the second time in as many days. The Foreign Ministry said its request was in reaction to these "deliberate and massive Serbian ar-

■ Conditions on Withdrawal Croatia said on Tuesday it would not withdraw troops from the Maslenica bridge region by Saturday as previously agreed unless Serbian rebels first handed their heavy artillery over to peacekeepers, Reuters reported from Zagreb.

The demand cast doubt on a July 16 accord under which peacekeep ing forces were to take control of Maslenica to head off renewed Serbian-Croatian war over Zagreb's construction of a pontoon bridge.



A crucial map on proposals by Serbian negotiators for a partition of Bosnia-Herzegovina being conveyed Tuesday to Genera talks.

Asians, Turning Tables, Denounce EC on Bosnia

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

SINGAPORE - After several years of urging Asian countries to get tough on human rights abuses in Burma, the European Community found itself occupying the moral low ground Tuesday as Asians criticized its failure to protect Bosnian Muslims.

The criticism, made by foreign ministers from the Association of South East Asian Nations, erupted in a closed session with their counterparts from the EC, the United States, Japan, South Korea, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, delegates said.

A spokesman for the conference said that Asian delegates had pointed out that dismemberment of a member state of the United Nations was a dangerous precedent for other states that, like Bosnia, have a multiethnic makeup.

The ministers from ASEAN - which comprises Indooesia, Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Thailand and Brunei — also said that the Muslim-dominated government of Bosnia should be exempted from the UN arms

embargo against the former Yugoslav republics.

Conference sources said that the United States had

supported this position while New Zealand and Canada had joined the EC in warning that such action would only intensify the fighting in Bosnia and undermine peace oegotiations in Geneva that aim to end the republic's 16-

A visibly angry Willy Claes, deputy prime minister and foreign minister of Belgium, which holds the rotating presidency of the EC, said afterward that lifting the embargo would only "make the situation worse" in Bosnia and could spread the war to other parts of the Balkans. "If you have a military intervention, then you will be addled with a situation similar to that in the Lebanon,"

Mr. Class, who visited Bosnia for talks with the warring Muslims, Serbs and Croats before coming to Singapore, said that in the international effort to halt the fighting. Europe had contributed most of the UN peacekeepers and aid, had done most of the work in organizing peace negotiations and had accepted many refugees.

He said that when be appealed during the meeting for countries critical of Europe to contribute to a recently launched appeal by UN agencies for aid to help Bosnians survive the coming winter, "I didn't hear any response."

said this week that an election was

an essential to remove political un-

certainty and to build international

President Oscar Luigi Scalfaro

padolini, and his counterpart

from the Chamber of Deputies,

Giorgio Napolitano, on Monday to

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Mino Martinazzoli, leader of the

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Conference sources said that the strongest criticism of the handling of the Bosnian crisis came from Malaysia and Indonesia, both of which have Muslim majorities.

Malaysia recently offered to send 1,500 soldiers to Bosnia as part of a 17,000-strong UN peacekeeping fonce drawn from seven Islamic entities; the others are Iran, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Timisia, Turkey and a Palestinian

Some Western officials have expressed concern that the presence of radical Muslim troops in Bosals, particularly from Iran, which offered up to 10,000 soldiers, might escalate fighting between Bosnian Muslims and their Christian Serbian and Croatian enemies.

Shortly before holding talks with Warren M. Christopher, the U.S. secretary of state, in Singapore on Sunday, Andrei V. Kozyrev, the Russian foreign minister, cautioned that it was "important to avoid any semblance of religious crusades.

But he added that both Russia and the United States supported the offer of peacekeeping troops by Malaysia, which he described as a moderate Muslim country that "sticks to the peacekeeping concept rather than jihad."

WORLD BRIEFS

U.S. and Ukraine Sign Military Pact

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — The United States signed a military:
cooperation agreement with Ukraine on Tuesday, its first such pact with
a former Soviet republic, but the accord fell short of the security
guarantees sought by Ukraine's parliament as a precondition to giving up
its 1,600 nuclear warheads.

The modest agreement providing for exchanges of military officials.

The modest agreement, providing for exchanges of military officials and the supplying of U.S. military expertise, was signed by Secretary of Defense Les Aspin and the Ukrainian defense minister, Konstantin

Morozov.

The United States is pressing Ukraine to become a nonnuclear state.

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But the Ukrainian parliament has so far nefused to do so, instead But the Ukrainian parliament has so far negoties and as much as \$2 billion. demanding strong Western security guarantees and as much as \$2 hillion to help pay for nuclear disarmament.

Gorbachev Asked to Testify in Berlin BERLIN (Reuters) - A Berlin court has asked Milchail S. Gorbacher

to testify in the trial of former East German officials for the killing of people trying to cross-the border into West Germany.

The Berlin Justice Ministry said Tuesday that the defendants hist asked the former Soviet leader to testify on how Moscow influenced Past.

Germany's policy of shooting would be escapees. It said he had not The three defendants, former members of East Germany's Defense

Council, are the only ones remaining in a trial that once included East. Germany's former leader, Erich Honecker, and secret police head, Erich Miclke, Mr. Honecker has been declared too ill to stand trial and is living in Chile. Mr. Mielke is being tried separately to take account of an illness.

U.S. Seizes Aide to Somalia Warlord

MOGADISHU, Somalia (Reuters) — U.S. troops in Somalia captured a senior side of General Mohammed Farrah Aidid, the fugitive warlord.

in a dawn raid, a United Nations spokesman reported.

The spokesman said the troops had arrested Issa Mohammed Siadforeign secretary of General Aidid's Somalia National Alliance, at the
Benadir Hospital.

General Aidid has been in hiding since early June, when his forces ambushed and killed 24 Pakistanis serving in the United Nations operation. The UN forces here have offered \$25,000 for information leading to the capture of General Aidid. He, in turn, pledged \$1 million for the assassination of the UN special envoy to Somalia, Jonathan Howe, a retired U.S. admiral.

Homosexuals Sue on Clinton Policy

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bill Clinton's new "don't ask, don't tell" policy on homosexuals in the armed forces was challenged inclawsuit. Thesebay that asserted that the regulations violated the U.S.

The American Civil Liberties Union and the Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund filed the suit on behalf of seven homosexual mea, and women in the military, five of whom were named. Two chose to

The challenge comes at when members of Congress are considering enacting into law a version of Mr. Chinton's new policy that would allow a mistration to reinstate the restrictions.

North Korea Fetes War Anniversary

TOKYO (AP) — More than a million North Korean soldiers and civilians paraded Tuesday to celebrate the 40th anniversary of what the

Communist government calls its victory in the Korean War.

In the evening, more than 80,000 people performed poems, songs, dances and gymnastics to "depict through great epical canvases the undying feats of President Kim Il Sung" in defeating a U.S-led UN coalition, the official news agency, KCNA, said in a report monitored in

It said Mr. Kim attended the performance in Pyongyang's 150,000 sent. May Day Stadium after reviewing the parade of troops, red guards, war veterans and groups with his son and heir apparent, Kim Jong II.

TRAVEL UPDATE

A New-Look Champs-Elysées Opens PARIS (AFP)—An underground parking lot, which French authorities boast is, the most beautiful in Huppe, opens under the Champs. Hystes on Wednesday, completing the facelift to one of the world's most

Side roads that ran parallel to the main boulevard have been paved pedestrians a generous 21.5-meter-wide (65-foot) payement. The 390 parking spaces that have been lost are more than amply replaced in the new parking los, which has room for \$50 vehicles and freecoed walls for motorists to admire while looking for a place.

Lawsuits on behalf of some British tourists who were shot, robbed or beaten in the past year were filled in Orlando, Florida, against those who beauth in the past year were fulled in Unimon, I was a provided them lodging. The suits claim the victims were not gives a provided them lodging. The suits claim the victims were not gives (AP)

A strike by Italian truck drivers that had threatened nationwide disruption of food and fuel supplies was called off on Tuesday, a governmen

spokesman said in Rome after truckers settled their differences in talks with the government. The Belgian national siriline Sahena will resume flights to Zaire starting Thursday. A Sahena spokeswoman said the airline's accurity experts had recently visited Kinshasa and determined that it was safe to fly there.

Flights were halted in January due to political violence. (Reuters)

Tapes Show 'Wimp' Major's Salty Side

Italian Leaders Push for Unusual Winter Ballot

for after Christmas. A winter elec-

tion would be a novelty for Italy.

had been expecting an election next spring at the earliest, and many —

particularly the parties worst hit by Italy's corruption scandals — hoped it would be even later to

Over the past two years support

for the scandal-tainted parties that

make up the government of Prime

Minister Carlo Azeglio Ciampi has

fallen dramatically while reformist

groups like the federalist Northern

allow voter anger to cool.

League have advanced.

Most politicians until this month

ROME - Under growing pres-

sure to elect a stable government.
Italy could go to the polls with new

voting rules by January, political sources said Tuesday.

But powerful vested interests

Parliamentary leaders are com-

mitted to an electoral law by Aug.

5. Then all will depend on agree-

ment on new constituencies, they

If that issue can be resolved by

November. Parliament can be dis-

solved and an election date fixed

will be working to delay the process

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of a television grilling on the government's

After disclosures Sunday that Mr. Major had used the word "bastards" when discuss-ing his cabinet colleagues, Britain's best-selling daily newspaper, the Sun, disclosed that be had used "I—" and "bugger" in a private

The Sun's main rival, the left-leaning Daily a London underground station by a man corded after Mr. Major won a confidence vote in Parliament on Friday, he calls his

Many lawmakers who feel cer-

tain they will lose in the election

have delayed the hill through

This has the effect of sending the

two reform bills on a ricochet path

back and forth between the cham-

er reporters as "SOBs."

of his character by suspending Rupert Alla-son, the only Conservative member of Parliament not to vote for the government in the

which could result in Mr. Allason's not being able to stand as a Conservative candidate, also had elements of the bizarre. Mr. Allason, the author of spy thrillers and

a self-appointed espionage expert, left for an undisclosed destination before the vote, believing that other rebels would also abstain. He was left high and dry.

Germans Tie Suspect Luigi Abete, president of the em- Christiao Democrats, earlier players federation Confindustria, pledged reform by the same date. The new law is the centerpiece of To Killing Italy's political revolution and effectively scraps proportional representation as a basis for parliamentary elections in favor of a British-

KARLSRUHE Gen forensic report has confirmed that Wolfgang Grams, a suspected urban guerrilla, killed an anti-terrorist agent during an attempt to arrest him last month, the German prosecutor's office said Tuesday. The police failure to explain the

botched attempt to arrest Mr. Grams, an alleged member of the Red Army Faction, and his companion Birgit Hogefeld, on June 27 in the northeastern town of Bad Kleinen has caused a scandal and cost Interior Minister Rudolf Sciters and the federal prosecutor, Alexander von Stahl, their jobs, Mr. Grams was shot to death in

unexplained circumstances and Michael Newrzella, a member of the GSG-9 anti-terrorist squad, was killed in the shoot-out during the operation.

The forensic report, by scientists in Zurich, showed that two shots that hit Mr. Newrzella and one that wounded a fellow member of the anti-terrorist squad all came from Mr. Grams's gun.

Forensic tests on Mr. Grams have shown that he was not killed by a police weapon, leaving open the question of whether the fatal shot came from his own gum.

Two witnesses said they saw a policeman shoot Mr. Grams point blank in the head as he was printed to the ground.

LONDON - Prime Minister John Major, often portrayed as the starched "gray man" of British politics, shows a more human side sense of humor. interviewer an "S-h-one-L" "What I don't understand is why such a He was responding to a remark by the complete wimp like me keeps winning every-thing," he joked to one interviewer at the end in private, slipping easily into swear words interviewer, who referred to himself and oth-

Tuesday.

Columnists said inadvertently recorded

asides to reporters would embarrass him just before a crucial by-election Thursday in the south coast town of Christchurch that his

But some government officials said disclo-sures that Mr. Major is more colorful than imagined could boost his popularity, which is at a record low for a British prime minister. In front-page reports, three tabloid news-papers reported that Mr. Major had shed his

public reserve when television interviews were over and he believed recording equip-ment had been turned off. ry debate, he was shown as a man with a wry

chat before the 1992 general election.

Mirror, printed what it said was "The Bastards' Tape in Full." The Mirror said it had been handed the tape in the early morning at wearing a pair of women's tights over his

Mr. Major gave a sign of the tougher side

The circumstances surrounding the action,

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Continued from Page 1 turbulent Cultural Revolution of 1966-76. Chinese are also too fear-

ful of chaos to take to the streets. Instead, many Chinese see the market forces as the catalyst for eventual political pluralism, much in the same way that economic growth helped bring about a peaceful transition from martial law to In this view, as more and more

reforms, for example either as private business owners or shareholders, they will want more of a say in the laws that affect their interests. While the government still controls the military and security ap-

Chinese have a direct stake in the

paratus, over the past decade it has steadily lost economic control. It can no longer control tax and revenue collection, local investment and bank loans at the provincial and lower levels. Chinese officials

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Shanghai and Shenzhen - are al- trary fees imposed by local offilowed to operate stock exchanges. unofficial stock markets have sprung up all over China. Much of the country's overheated economy has been fueled by local investment and real estate speculation in prov-

to official directives. The government's problem is that it must cool down the economy-but not too much. If it can no longer deliver a steady increase in living standards, it stands little chance of survival.

inces that no longer pay attention

"No one cares about politics, only improving our quality of life." a government worker, 38, said. Who would have ever thought could install an air conditioner in my home?" he added. He earns additional income by selling cement and running an advertising company. The fancy Japanesemade cooling unit that cost 7,500 yuan, or \$1,300, at least 16 times his average monthly government

Meanwhile, the rush to become

wealthy in a hurry is producing

disparities between incomes in the

rich coastal areas and those in the

poorer himerland regions. Those left furthest behind — the coun-

try's more than 800 million peas-

ants - are restive. Violent demon-

In addition, tising crime, the

movement of more than 100 million rural migrants to the cities in search of jobs, declining social services and rampant corruption are all contributing to a general breakdown in social order, Chinese say. Corruption, in particular, has reached new heights. Government

officials, who have been given permission to go into business, are able to take advantage of China's swkward economic status -- not completely market and no longer completely centrally planned - to abuse their position and power. Few legal constraints exist to punish corruption.

Certainly, the scope of change sweeping China is astonishing. After decades of propaganda to "serve the people," Chinese have been given the green light to take care of themselves, and they are racing to do so.

Even some peasants are using whatever resources they have, including their own bodies, to turn a profit. Recently, a woman and her three daughters were arrested for producing 17 babies for sale to people who had ordered them in advance. They amassed more than \$10,000 in seven years, according to a report in the Tianjin Evening

At Beijing University, the history department has opened a gift shop, and the international politics department has set up a company that sells women's underwear This focus on self and material wealth has its benefits, said Dai Qing, one of China's most outspo-

ken dissidents. "Now people have a sense of self-awareness. In the past, we used to think we were only tooks of the party, that we belonged to the country," she said.

Shopkeepers who own their own stalls, for example, will inevitably take a greater interest in econom policy, and may want a say in laws that govern that policy.
That will be the basis of democ-

racy — not a bunch of students shouting slogans," she said, refer-ring to the university students who led the 1989 protests. At the same time, Miss Dai and others bemosn the social void that is a product of the new greed. In the past, Manism held sway. Now, many believe there is a moral vacu-

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Clinton Demands Tighter Borders

By Paul F. Horvitz

International Herald Tribute

WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton on Tuesday proposed tougher controls at U.S. borders and on-the-spot judgments for most asylum claims, as the United States joined many nations in Europe that are erecting new barriers against the rising tide of refugees. Mr. Clinton acted smid mounting public concern about immigra-tion and domestic terrorism, fueled by reports about Chinese land-ing by sea and a radical Egyptian cleric's effort to remain in the United States.

The president specifically cited the burgeoning trade by smugglers nan cargo and a U.S. border that he said "leaks like a sieve." The core of the new policy called for strengthening the U.S. Border Patrol, imposing stiffer penalties on smugglers, tightening the net to ber would be terrorists and providing for virtually imme-diate deportations of people who are deemed to have frivolous demands for political asylum.

In many of these areas, action by Congress will be required, and the president proposed to spend \$172 million to finance the changes.

Mr. Cinton stressed that legal immigration was a hallmark of U.S. policy. But he added: "We must not and will not surrender out borders to those who wish to exploit our history of compassion and

Today, we send a strong and clear message: We will make it tougher for illegal aliens to get into our country," the president said. The current situation, he said, "is not good for the American immigrants who are here legally in this country, for the American economy, for the cohesion of our society or for the rule of law worldwide. One of the most significant proposals would radically change U.S.

asylum procedure by authorizing immigration officials at airports and other ports of entry to make a summary decision on whether a person had a "credible fear of persecution" if returned home. Those who do not will be "expeditiously deported," one immigration official said. Those who do, will be given a hearing and, if rejected, permitted one appeal.

According to the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, the backing of asylum claims being processed by the 150 U.S. asylum officers is 280,000, or nearly a 10-year backup. Moreover, illegal immigration across the U.S. Mexican border is estimated at about a million a year, straining public services in border states. Another 100,000 illegal Chinese immigrants enter each year, the immigration The legal limit on immigrants to the United States is 700,000.

The new U.S. policy would: Add 600 agents to a 4,000-member Border Pairol that Mr.
 Clinton said was "drastically understaffed." Add 5 to 10 years to criminal penalties for smuggling of illegal immigrants, including smuggling by syndicates and individual 65.

 Authorize U.S. authorities to use wiretaps in sanuggling cases. and seize the assets of smugglers.

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Kansas City Braces as 2 Raging Rivers Close In

KANSAS CITY, Missouri — Like some great watery pincer, the rampaging Missouri and Kansas rivers closed in on Kansas City on Tuesday.....

A record flood crest coming down the Kansas and another record crest coming down the Mis-souri were colliding here, after evacuations of thousands of people

from flooded low-lying areas.
Weekend rains across Nebraska. Kansas and eastern Iowa have fed the swelling rivers, driving the Kansas River up to a crest of 55 feet (17 meters) here.

The Missouri River was expected

to reach a crest of 49 feet, about three feet below the tops of levers along its banks, which could back up into the Kansas River and increase its flood level, the U.S. Army

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Corps of Engineers said.
"It's an unknown what will happen," said George Hanley, spokesman for the Army Corps of Engineers. "That's the reality. The

levess have never been tested."

So far, flooding in the Midwest has killed at least 43 people and cost an estimated \$12 billion in damages. Governors from the flood strenged of the flood strenged o tho filood-ravaged states were meeting with President Bill Clinton on Tuesday to discuss increasing di-

Responding to increasing pres-sure for action, the House of Repsure for action, the House of Rep-resentatives cleared the way on night. The Missouri towns of Park-Tuesday for action on a \$3 billion ville, Riverside, Missouri City and flood relief package — which the Ornick were lost to floodwaters, president said he would increase by The crest date for the Mississip president said he would increase by \$1.1 billion — as Democrats overrode Republican objections that lawmakers should first consider how to pay for the emergency. The procedural roadblock, which the River Des Peres, which is an offshoot of the Missission. Sandstopped efforts to pass the bill last: week, was cleared away by a 224-



A Dewitt, Nebraska, man reaching through several feet of water to try to remove tree debris from town's storm drains.

On the ground, the catastrophe spread. Several small communities in the outlying areas of Kansas The crest date for the Mississippi

the River Des Peres, which is an offshoot of the Mississippi. Sandbagging raised the levee to a height of 49 feet.

"The River Des Peres is our major concern. The Mississippi is ba-sically contained by the floodwall," said Steven Mueller, spokesman for the St. Louis Police Department. He was referring to an 11-mile (17 kilometer) levee that can protect the city from a river height of 52 feet. The river was at 46.3 feet on

Monday. Roughly 50 miles south of St. Louis, officials are keeping a close eye on a 25-mile-long levee on the Illinois side of the river and have ordered evacuations of 2,000 peo-

At one spot along the Harrisonville-Stringtown-Fort Chartres levee, the water is seeping through from underneath, and a horseshoe-Des Moines residents still cannot shaped wall is being built to contain the leak, an Army Corps of drink their water.

Engineers spokesman said.
While heavy thunderstorms pounded Nebraska with hail, meteorologists offered some hope by forecasting drier weather by midweek. However, heavy thunderstorms moved across Nebraska and lowa on Monday night.

Along the Missouri River in St. Joseph, Missouri, the city's 82,000

residents were without drinkable tap water after the city's water plant was overrun by floodwaters

North Dakota became the ninth state in the Midwest to be cleared for government disaster aid, the Federal Emergency Management Agency said. Illinois, lowa, Kan-sas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, South Dakota and Wisconsin have already been declared eligible for federal relief.

Clinton's Coattalls Pose Dilemma

WASHINGTON - When Senator Charles S. Robb, Democrat of Virginia, and Senator Donald W. Riegle Jr., Democrat of Michigan, appeared on the Senate floor recently to deliver enthusiastic pitches for President Bill Clinton's economic program, they were thinking not only of the president's political fortunes but also their own.

Both men are at the top of the list of the most vulnerable Democratic incumbents facing re-election next year. And both, following deliberate strategies, have decided to stick by their president when they comfortably can, but not to hesitate to offer at times biting public criticism.

Defining their relationships with the president is

a delicate matter for several Democratic senators who are gearing up their re-election drives. Of the Democratic senators facing re-election in 1994, only Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia and Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts have ever had to campaign when their party was in the White

Thus, the dilemma: Do they run against a president who has thus far proven widely unpopular, or do they remain loyal to him, hoping that a year from oow he will have rebounded?

For all the ambivalence in their speeches about Mr. Clinton's budget, most Democratic senators have grudgingly tied their fortunes to his. That is not simply because they want to do Mr. Clinton a favor but because his success, particularly with his economic program, could translate into their own.

Stephanopoulos Is Still Up Front

WASHINGTON - As ordered, all the two-star and three-star generals were up front last week at Fort McNair when President Clinton announced his policy about homosexuals in the military. Just before Mr. Clinton appeared, a Secret Service agent came in and whispered to the nearest twostar in the front row.

The general quickly got up and took a seat in the back, causing many in the crowd to wonder what was going on. Then the president appeared on the dais and George Stephanopoulos, senior adviser to the president, slipped into the two-star's seat to listen to the POTUS (President of the United States), as be is known in the White House. Counselor David R. Gergen, meanwhile, stood around before sitting down in an empty seat in the

back of the room with the rest of the lower-ranking

Justice Dept. Bars Foster Probe

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department has retreated from its pledge to conduct a full investigation into the death of a White House senior aide, Vincent Foster Jr., saying that it was merely participating in a low-level inquiry that was

being run by the U.S. Park Police.
"There is oo investigation being conducted by the Justice Department," the chief department spokesman, Carl Stern, said. Because Park Police officials are coovinced that Mr. Foster took his own life, the department had on authority to launch such a probe, Mr. Stern said. "There's no suspicion that a crime occurred," he said.

At the same time, a Park Police official minimized that agency's inquiry, calling it a routine probe that was primarily aimed at assuring investigators there was a general explanation, such as depression, for Mr. Foster to have killed himself. Asked if Park Police officials were seeking to interview President Clinton, Hillary Rodham Clinton or Chief of Staff Thomas F. McLarty, all close personal friends of Mr. Foster, a police spokesman, Major Robert Hines, said that had not been determined but added: "I don't think we have any indication that will be needed."

Mr. Stern's comments appear to conflict with statements made by White House and Justice Department officials last week and raise questions about the extent of the inquiries into his death.

Quote/Unquote

President Bill Clinton: "There needs to be one overriding purpose for this country, and that is returning us to a path in which we can build a high-skill, high-wage, high-growth society in which people who work hard and play by the rules will be rewarded with decent work and an opportunity to raise a strong family in a safe oeighborhood." (AP)

Clinton Decries Gridlock

'Let's Vote, Let's Make Decisions,' He Tells Congress

By Ann Devroy

Weshington Post Service
CHICAGO — An exasperated President Bill. Clinton complained about congressional "delay and gridlock," criticizing lawmakers for a string of stalls on everything from his economic package to flood relief to the confirmation of his new surgeon-

"Let's vote: I don't have to win them them all. but let's make decisions," Mr. Clinton told an opening session of a conference on the American workplace. "This institutional delay and gridlock. is bad for America."

Mr. Clinton's outburst against Congress on Monday came despite Democratic control of both bodies, a fact a protester was quick to shout out in the midst of the president's speech.

William J. Kelly, who described himself as heading a "pro-family, anti-tax" organization, shouted to Mr. Clinton, "How can you talk about gridlock

when the Democrats have control of Congress? Why don't you take some leadership?"
After chasusing Mr. Kelly for not allowing him to answer, Mr. Clinton pointed out that Republicans in the Senate can hold up his legislation with only 41 votes because of Senate fullbuster rules.

But, he added: "It's not a party deal. It's a question of whether we should make decisions." "I say, if they want to vote against me; fine, let's make a decision and go on to something else," he said. "Let's just move. I think that's the issue."

The president's criticism of Congress was bound

to have resonance in the country at large, which,

according to an opinion survey released Tuesday, is losing patience with the national legislature.

According to a USA Today/CNN/Gallop Poll, the approval rating for Congress slipped to 24 percent, with 65 percent disapproving of its performance. The only time its esteem has been lower in the past 20 years was in 1979, when only 19 percent of Americans thought well of Congress.

Mr. Clinton was more highly regarded than Congress, with 51 percent approving the way he does his job, but 45 percent having an unfavorable view of him.

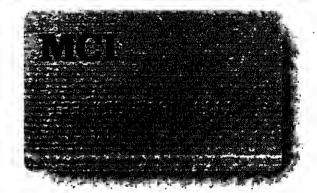
Both former Presidents Ronald Reagan and George Bush frequently attacked Congress for holding up their programs, but the case is more difficult to make when Congress and the White House are controlled by the same party. Mr. Clinton launched into it at the end of his speech, nonetheless, citing delays that are as much the result of Democratic politics as anything the Republicans are doing.

Using his economic program as a launching pad, Mr. Clinton said, "The government-needs to pass this budget and get on with the rest of the business. Hanging out there, debating it, dragging it out for weeks and weeks will only make it worse." He said that "delay to get a slightly better decision is worse. than action to get a pretty good decision," and told Congress to "get on with it," adding "We've got other things to do."

The negotiations this week on the economic program are among Democrats and the White House, attempting to construct a compromise be-tween the Senate and House versions of the \$500 billion deficit reduction program. The conference work is proceeding under a schedule outlined by the White House and, until Monday, no one from the White House or Congress had complained of

Mr. Clinton noted that the House had delayed the vote on a nearly \$3 billion flood relief and said he was worried about "people out here up to their ears in tragedy."

"Why?" he asked about the delay. The failure has been attributed to both Republican efforts to pay for the aid through additional spending cuts and to several internal Democratic disputes. Action is expected this week.



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Meal Deduction: Half a Loaf?

By Michael Wines... New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — In the final days of politically agonizing negotiations over \$500 billion in fax increases and cuts in programs like Medicare, Congress is suddenly having second thoughts about a previous decision to reduce the tax break that businesses get for meals and entertainment

Both the House and Senate voted months ago to reduce the deduction for meals and entertainment from 80 percent of expenses to 50 percent, a move that would raise \$15 billion in revenues during the next five years. That roughly equals the amount that would be raised by a proposed increase, from 34 perwhit to 35 percent, in the corporate income tax.

Lobbyists and congressional aides said Monday that lawmakers

lost revenues, even as they haggle over the size of tax increases and cuts in social programs.

Two factors drive lawmakers: . The restaurant industry has mounted a lobbying campaign through television commercials that pelts House and Senate negotiators with objections from voters

 Simply put, congressional sup-port for President Bill Clinton's package is so thin that negotiators feel compelled to reconsider any part of the bill that draws fire from even a small bloc of legislators. This factor may be the most signifi-cant as bargaining over the final version of Mr. Clinton's plan reaches a climax this week.

Ninetcen representatives sent a letter to the House speaker, Thom-

are scriously considering the resto-ration of a chunk of the deduction at a cost of perhaps \$7 billion in not guarantee a positive vote on final passage of Mr. Clinton's package unless part of the tax break is restored. The package passed the House in May by six

> "If the bill had passed by 80 votes they would be telling people to go suck wind," said Robert E. Juliano, the chief lobbyist for the Hotel and Restaurant Workers International Union. "Our issue is one that could tilt it over the other

In the Senate, where the economic plan carried last month by a single vote, negotiators are hoping the restoration of the tax deduction would win over Senator Richard H. Bryan, Democrat of Nevada, who voted against the plan. His state depends heavily on convention and business travel.

The restaurant industry esti-

mates that the deduction would reduce expenses for meals by \$3.8 billion a year and cost 165,000 jobs. This would be true only if compames cut spending on meals sufficiently to recapture every dollar that a reduced write-off would cost. One congressional aide said law-makers considered a write-off of 60 percent or 65 percent to be realistic. Even that would force the budget negotiators to find \$3 billion to \$5 billion in offsetting tax increases or new spending cuts.

The fact that negotiators are considering multibillion-dollar concessions for the sake of a handful of votes underscores the character of this budget debate. Every one of the 269 Democrats who voted for some version of the package earlier now holds the power to de-

Negotiators were optimistic that they could produce a politically palatable compromise by week's end, and that both Houses would pass it before Congress leaves on its summer vacation on Aug. 6.

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Liberal Democrat Hopes Ebb in Japan

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - Delegates from seven opposition parties reached basic agreement late Tuesday on policies for a coalition government, further reducing the Liberal Democratic Party's fading hopes of keeping the power it has held since 1955.

"Basically, there are no obstacles to a coalition government," Kazuo Aichi, chief policymaker for the Japan Renewal Party, said after emerging from four and a half hours of talks at a Tokyo hotel.

The seven parties have enough combined votes to take the reins of government. The Liberal Democrats lost their majority in parlia-ment in elections July 18, largely because of their failure to change

the political system.

The parties reached broad agreement on U.S.-Japan relations, de-

economic stimulus measures. Some favor a tax cut, but most were opposed to the government issuing deficit bonds, which economists say would be needed to finance a

Mr. Aichi and Takenori Kanzaki of the centrist Clean Government Party said each party would review the points of agreement Wednesday. The parties hoped to reach final agreement on basic policies at a meeting of deputy leaders later that day.

Leaders of the seven parties are to meet soon thereafter and an-nounce their intention to form a coalition government, Hajime Ishii of the Japan Renewal Party and other officials said. "Generally speaking, all the par-

fense and foreign policy, but there dies have common views," Mr. defeat. He will stay in office until a remained some disagreement on Kanzaki said.

He said that negotiations were proceeding "based on the assumption that we will have a coalition

The question of who would become prime minister under the coalition would be left until after an agreement on policies, said Taken-ori Kanzaki of the centrist Clean Government Party.

It is widely expected that the Japan Renewal Party's leader, Tsutomu Hats, and Japan New Party's chief, Mr. Hosokawa, will be the

The Liberal Democrats are also trying to decide on a candidate for prime minister. The incumbent, strike on Tuesday to protest gov-Kiichi Miyazawa, resigned last ernment plans to sell shares in week to take responsibility for the some of their companies.

So far, Seiichi Ota, 47, who has harshly criticized the Liberal Democrats' old-guard leadership, and Michio Watanabe, 69, a former foreign minister who has been ill, have said they will be candidates in the party's leadership vote Friday. Ryutaro Hashimoto, 55, a former finance minister, is also expected to (AP, Reuters)

Athens Public Works Strike The Associated Press

ATHENS - Workers at public utilities and other state-run services went on a one-day nationwide

Swing Party in India To Vote Against Rao

NEW DELHI — An Indian opposition party that could determine the outcome of a no-confidence motion said Tuesday that it would vote against the government of Prime Minister P.V. Nara-

Afit Singh, leader of the Isnata Dal (A), said his 20-member parliamentary group had decided to join other major opposition parties when the Marxist-sponsored motion is put to a vote on

"We waited for the government to clear some of the committon charges against it," said Mr. Singh, "but it has done nothing,"

Mr. Rao, who came to power in June 1991, is facing allegations that he accepted 10 million rupees (\$320,000) from a stockbroker, Harshad (Big Bull) Mehta, the main suspect in a \$1.28 billion securities scandal. Mr. Rao denies the charge.

The Janata Del (A)'s decision could tip the balance against his ruling Congress Party, which has a minority 251 seats in the 534-seat

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THE RESIDENCE OF THE PARTY OF T

New York Times Service WASHINGTON — On the face of it, the fiercest fighting in Lebanon in more than a decade may seem destined to sabotage the latest chapter in the Middle East peace talks and perhaps even to draw Israel and Syria into an

Certainly, the violence has a familiar feeling guernila fighters in southern Lebanon using artillery and Katynsha rockets against Israeli positions; Israeli forces responding with such ferocity that the only prospect seems to be everworsening lighting

But except for the Iranian-backed Party of God, which started the latest round of fighting in an effort to sabotage the peace negotiations and provoke a wider conflict, none of the players are eager for a fight.

The talks seem certain to resume when Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher arrives in the region next week. He cut short an Asian visit Tuesday to return to Washington for con-

For Israel, Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is gambling that the response will be harsh enough to prove to his people that he will not sacrifice their security for peace, but measured enough to avoid an all-out war.

Israel's two military forays into Lebanon — in 1978 when it invaded the south and created an allied militia of Lebanese Christians, and

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stage operation involving air strikes first, then a warning to villages and then intensive artillery firing. Israel's government would have

to vote on whether to proceed to a

fourth stage, involving ground troops, and the officials said such a

move would be met with domestic

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newspaper of Syria's ruling Be'ath Arab Socialist Party, said the Israe-

li attacks were putting the Middle

East on the doorstep of a new war,

A U.S. official in Mr. Christo-

pher's traveling party said that Mr.

Christopher, in his conversation with Mr. Shara, had asked him "to

work on ways in which the situa-

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Mr. Clinton, in praising the Syri-

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again in 1982 when Israeli tanks rolled all the way to Beirut — were military disasters that failed to provide long-term security for Israel's

Since the American-brokered peace talks began 20 months ago, attacks by the Party of God and retaliation by the Israelis have become routine preludes to each round of talks. But this time was different. The guerrilla attacks resulted in the death of seven Israeli

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soldiers in the buffer zone Israel maintains in sonthern Lebanon. Mr. Rabin, considered suspect by the leaders of the opposition Liked party for his apparent willingness to make con-cessions for peace, had to demonstrate that he would not abandon his country's security. Last week, Mr. Rabin suggested that the 1982 invasion was a mistake that would not be

repeated. Until now he has shown relative restraint when the militants attacked.

"The fact that the fighting is still limited to southern Lebauon is a signal to the Syrians that while Israel has interests in Lebanon, unlike 1982 Israel does not have designs on Lebanese territory," said Richard N. Haass, who served as the chief Middle East specialist in the Bush administration's National Security Council. "And the main interest is to prevent Lebanon from being used as a base of operations against northern Israel."

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A senior White House official

said Mr. Christopher spoke with Mr. Chinton and his advisers on

Monday "and we all agreed that it

would he useful if he was back to

talk about things before he headed off to the Middle East."

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ing for peace were prevented from doing so by Hezbollah and those

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"As Christopher said," he added,

For Syria, the issue is just as complicated. President Hafez Assad supports - but has only fimited control over — the forces in southern Lebanon, just as he did not fully control the militants who held Americans hostage there.

For Syria to shot down the operations in the south would be a major undertaking and might stir a policy upheaval in Damascus.

But the Israeli response sends a signal to Syria that its support for radical Islamic groups opposed to the negotiations is not cost-free. For Lebanon, which has succeeded in restor-

ing order to Beirut and is struggling to rebuild after nearly two decades of civil war, the fighting demonstrates how little control the government has over much of its territory.

Israel's message is that the government in Beirut, however weak, has certain obligations in pressing for the disarming of the militias in the

For the United States, the attacks are a clear reminder that despite the administration's preoccupation with other global crises, the Middle East remains a volatile region.

The unknowns are whether Israel will play into the hands of the militants and be drawn into a protracted conflict it does not want and whether the Syrians will allow a scenario to unfold that does not serve its interests. Even if both countries eventually contain the fighting. it is impossible to predict what the conflict's cost to the peace effort will be.

Rivals in Congo

Syrian Warning on Raids anything to happen in the Middle Agree to a Truce East derail the peace process." BRAZZAVILLE, Congo — A truce took hold Tuesday in Congo after the government and the opposition agreed to disband militias, tear down barricades and free detainees after weeks of violence. At least 30 people have died and thousands have been forced to flee their homes in unrest that boiled over

into ethnic warfare. A televised statement by the Presidential Movement of President Pascal Lissopha and the opposition alliance of the Congolese Labor Party and the Union for Democratic Renewal pledged to

Minister Of Security Dismissed By Yeltsin

The Associated Press MOSCOW -- President Boris N. Yeltsin dismissed the Russian minister of security on Tuesday, citing a breach of ethics and serious flaws in his work, the ltar-Tass oews agen-

cy reported. The move came one day after Mr. Yeltsin reprimanded the minister, Viktor P. Barannikov, for laxity in not warning of an assault by Tailk rebels against Russians guarding the border of Tajikistan over-

looking Afghanistan. General Barannikov was a member of the powerful Security Council and had headed the Ministry of Security, one of the successor organizations to the former KGB, since Jan-

Mr. Yeltsin removed General Barannikov for "personal violations of ethical norms as well as serious flaws in his work, including the leadership of the border guard troops at-tached to the ministry, the

news agency said. Further, it added, quoting Mr. Yeltsin, General Barannikey used his position to help relatives make trips abroad. No details were provided.

An attack on July 13 by a group of Tajik exiles and Afghan mujahidin killed 25 Russian soldiers and wounded 8, The tronps were among thousands of Russians stationed in Tajikistan to help battle the infiltration of narcotics, weapons and Islamic fundamentalism.

Colossal Moscow Misjudgment **Currency Recall Revealed an Ominous Split** to Western governments and to chemomytem, openly supported Russian business circles, which the Central Bank's move without

By Steve Erlanger New York Times Service

MOSCOW — The colossal misjudgment by the Russian Central Bank in withdrawing all pre-1993 currency for mandatory exchange to oew bills was a jolting reminder to Western donor countries and investors of the fragile nature of transition from Marxist central planning to a free-market economy. It was also badly timed. For the

last two months or so, the first glimmers of progress were appear-

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ing in the two areas of central concern to Russia - slowing inflation and stabilizing the ruble.

That encouraged the major Western industrialized countries, pressed by President Bill Clinton, to approve a multibillion-dollar package of phased grants and loans to assist the Russian ecocomy make the transition to a free mar-

But Western officials and some diplomats expressed concern Tuesday that the disarray and the fragile hold of the Westernized marketreformers on policy would make it more difficult to agree to release further aid to Moscow, especially when Germany and Japan were al-ready skeptical.

In the last two mooths, a hardwon agreement between the minister of finance. Boris G. Fvodorov, and the Central Bank to limit the virtually wanton printing of money and issuing of credits - an agreement mediated by the International Monetary Fund - had begun to

show results. Inflation, which hit 28 percent in January and scared everyone, had slowed to between 15 percent and 17 percent a month.

Though that is still high, and would increase in any event later in the year, it was an encouragement

unstable, high-inflation economy. Similarly, the Russian ruble. which had been undergoing a free fall, began to stabilize at about 1,000 rubles to the U.S. dollar without much intervention by the Central Bank, a necessary condition to full convertibility against hard cur-

But the decision of the Central Bank and its acting director. Viktor V. Gerashchenko, to carry out a massive disruption of the economy and monetary system, at a time when President Boris N. Yeltsin and Mr. Fyodorov were oo vacation, broke the uneasy truce and created open warfare once more among the officials directly charged with the economy and fi-

It also has created disarray and pend embarrassment within the government itself, because the iodustrial-

find it impossible to invest in an checking with the Finance Ministry or anticipating the outburst of an-

ger throughout the country. The decision will also damage the economy, Western economists

Rather than drawing a line between Russia and other former Soviet republics to prevent them from dumping old rubles into Russia and thus swelling the money supply - one of the stated goals - the Central Bank's decisioo was an invitation for those new nations to dump their old rubles into Russia quickly, to preserve their value.

Rather than negotiating better trading and financial arrangements with the other republics, the decision simply irritated them, for they were not consulted, either, and it will badly disrupt Russian trade on which factories and enterprises de-

It has also damaged public and ist who is prime minister, Viktor V. my and its managers.

NUTRIA: Cajun Delicacy

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said. "Hundreds of thousands of them are eating up the marsh."

Their appetite is prodigious. To make matters worse, they chop down 10 times as much vegetation -plants that knit the fragile marsh together - as they consume.

Scientists who installed small metal cages to exclude the animals from sections of muddy "nutria eat-outs" were shocked to discover how quickly plant life recovered. Their finding meant that outries were an even bigger wetland-de-stroyer than they had realized,

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tors bere except alligators, and for years alligators were on the decline. They are making a comeback now. but only the biggest alligators de-vour outries, which can weigh up to 15 pounds (about 7 kilograms) and measure 3 feet (about a meter) head

Alligator farmers used to feed their stock nutrias, but now use mainly prepared feeds. The market for nutria pelts has also declined. Caiun trappers once sold more than \$20 million a year io nutria pelts. Today, sagging fortunes in the fur busioess have sent that figure tumbling to about \$1.5 million

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The Great Ruble Shock

Reform Is Weakened

The Russian Central Bank's decision to withdraw older ruble bank ootes from circulation is either inept, malicious or corrupt. But whatever lies behind it, the policy is sure to undermine badly needed economic reform to the former Soviet Union.

Uoder the plan, the bank would let Russians swap small amounts of pre-1993 rubles for new rubles, but would confiscate large ruble holdings. The policy was presented as a way to clamp down on inflation by cutting down excess holdings in Russia and stemming the flow of rubles from neighboring republics. But this rationale is transparently lame. The policy would raise inflation by trig-

gering inflows of old rubles from neighboring republies in arder to meet the deadline for swapping them for new rubles. More important. Russians would lose confidence io their currency, abd that would drive them to spend their rubles before the government turns on them again. That is a prescription for higher spending and more inflanon, and

a death knell far market reform.

The Central Bank's policy could not possibly cure inflatinn because it does anthing to root out inflation's primary cause: the government's whopping deficit, which reflects expenditures in keep bankrupt state-owned enterprises alive and which can be financed anly by printing new rubles. Nor does the policy compel other republics to adopt their own currencies, which is the best way in insulate Russia from irresponsible economic policies of its neighbors.

If economics was oot the rationale, what was? Politics is an obvious candidate. The Central Bank adopted the policy without consulting President Boris Yeltsin or his proreform finance minister. Nor did the bank

Yeltsin's Long Road

Even by the standards of post-Soviet policymaking to Moscow, the Central Bank's weekend decision to invalidate rubles printed before 1993 was erratic and ill planned. It may have applied only to a relatively small part of the money supply and may have been trained, for cause, on the inflation-feeding menace of the "ruble overhang" — too many rubles chasing too few goods. But the immediate effect of this confiscatory and uncoordinated measure was to alarm ruble holders in Russia and to the other former Soviet states still using the ruble, and to give Boris Yeltsin's anti-reform foes a new club with which to bash the president, who decidedly did oot need a new round of blows. in fact, Mr. Yeltsin was already on his way back to Moscow from a truncated vacation to cope with the larger continuing anti-reformist threat posed by the Russian parliament. Last week the conservative-dominated Congress of People's Deputies was in a frenzy. It dangerously diminished the key agency overseeing privatization of state enterprises, passed a frighteningly unbalanced budget, curtailed freedom for foreign religious organizations, im-

consult with the other republics or the International Monetary Fund as it promised when the West agreed to provide a \$43 billion aid package. The suspicion is that forces to the Russian parliament, which controls the Central Bank, maliciously schemed with its acting director, Viktor Gerashchenko, to stir opposition to Mr. Yeltsin's reforms.

There are more corrupt possibiliries. An unpublished audit of the Central Bank by a Western accounting firm reportedly uncovered gross mismanagement, if not fraud. That raises the suspicion that Central Bank offi-cials cooked up the policy of swapping rubles to cover their footprints. Whatever the truth, the policy is a blow to market reform. For markets to work, entrepreneurs and workers, who under Mr. Yeltsin's privatization policy are buying state-owned companies, oced to accumulate lots of money without fear of

confiscation. So do savers.

Mr. Yelisin returned from vacation to water down the bank's policy by raising the limit on how many rubles iodividuals can swap for new rubles, and postponing the deadline for making the swaps. That is an improvement, but no solution. There are sensible ways for Russia to control the number of rubles sloshing around the economy and to rearrange matters with the central banks of the other republics. Russia does not need to resort to confiscation. Nor does it need to break commitments made to the West.

Of course, Russia has a right to pursue any economie policy it wants. But Western taxpayers should oot turn over their money to a remment that breaks commitments to the West and steals from its citizens. President Yeltsin understands that. But he has had a tough time making the point clear to Mr. Gerashchenko and company.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

posed new restrictions on foreign banks and ordered up lovestigations of Yeltsin allies.

Ironically, although Mr. Yeltsin bad oo responsibility for the ruble surprise — the oldguard Central Bank reports to the parliament, not to the government — he was at once blamed for some part of it. This was bound to undercut the broad confidence he needs to deal with the parliament's latest challenges,

On Monday there were signs that Ruslan Khasbulatov, the parliamentary leader and Mr. Yeltsin's bane, had finally seen the need for reining in the bank. But even if that starts to happens, it will leave Mr. Yeltsin still to desperate need of consolidating a reformist course. This he bas undertaken to do by pushing through a new constitution, one which would weaken the legal foundation on which rests the parliament's defiance of his reforms. He has many political miles to go to install his new constitution, the make-or-break issue of his presidency. The Western supporters of building a free-market democracy in Russia and the other successor states can and must encourage him to stay with this task. But they cannot win his political battles for him.

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Closing In on a Budget

present path, they will likely hand President Bill Clinton a package much like the one President George Bush signed three years ago. Is that what America voted for?

The conferees are about to recommend chopping deficits by about \$500 billion over five years, primarily by cutting defense, trim-ming Medicare, raising income taxes and im-posing a gasoline tax. But that is exactly what Congress did under Mr. Bush three years ago.

Mr. Clinton promised voters more than a rehash. He pledged to end the consumption frenzy of the 1980s by turning the federal budget toward investments in infrastructure, children and training. But Congress is veering to a different direction. Unless it turns around, and fast, President Clinton's victory in getting a deficit-reduction package through Congress will be hollow.

There is nothing wrong with the overall target. The conferees appear headed for a package that would reduce the deficit by the fifth year to about \$200 billion — a prudent target because at that level the nation's debt would grow no faster than the economy. And the mix of taxes is about right. Following Mr. Clinton's lead, Congress would raise taxes on the rich by about \$100 billion and impose a gas tax that would likely cost a middle-class family less than \$50 a year.

But what about investment? Congress knocked tens of billions from discretionary spending that President Clinton proposed And it seems unprepared to prime old programs to make way for Mr. Clinton's initiatives. That probably means that most of his plans to increase spending on worker training. education, mass transit and technological research will be slashed. He will be lucky in save a third of his tovestment program.

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This week the budget conferees will turn to energy taxes and entitlements. The disagreements are narrowing, but still important. The Senate would impose a \$20 billion gas tax; the House would raise \$70 billion from an energy tax. The House would use the

If the congressional conferees who meet this week to finish a budget stick to their create enterprise zooes to depressed areas and spur investment in small businesses.

The small-business subsidies are ill-designed and not worth preserving. But the enterprise zones, although modest, are an important symbolic gesture to ailing cities the only aid they will see in the budget package — and are important to winning support among the Congressional Black Caucus and House liberals.

Tax credits to the working poor and higher food stamp allowances for beleaguered families are more than symbolic. These programs be at the heart of Mr. Clinton's pledge to lift families with at least one full-time worker above poverty. The House delivered on this pledge by providing large tax credits to lowwage workers, enhanced food stamp allotments and money for innovative programs to belp distressed families. But the Senate had to reduce or eliminate each of those programs once it cut the House's energy tax by \$50 billion. Uoder the Senate plan, many poor families, for example workers without children, would suffer because they would get no offset to the higher gas tax.

The conferees must decide first the size of the gas tax. If they settle on less than around g cents a gallon - which would raise about \$20 billion more than the Senate bill - then there will not be enough money to elevate the working poor above poverty and to fund urban enterprise zones. Some Western senators oppose gas taxes above the Senate level nf 4 cents because, they claim, it hits hard at their rural constituents. They exaggerate. Regional disparitles in the gas tax are small. East Coast cities. Overall, a package with an

8 cent gas tax would be fair. Congress is moving to hand Mr. Clinton a budget. But if it shortchanges the gas tax or the president's spending initiatives, it will not be a budget that iovests to the future and it will not be a victory for those who voted for an economic turnabout.

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When the Comfortable Turn Their Backs on Refugees

LONDON — To what degree do we, our societies and leaders, behave in a way that acknowledges that ultimately, all human beings are one people, all God's people? And if we do not so act, what are the implications? The history of the treatment of refugees is a unique prism through which to gain insight toto this.

History is replete with examples of mass movement of population. As recently as the Cold War, refugees in Europe were feted as heroes, received as they fled the anger of Communist autocrats. They were fighting op-pression and dictatorships. And, incidentally, many were articulate; most were white and Christian. Those refugees were absorbed by countries in which they sought asylum or by

After World War II, new international organizations had been set up, like the office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, to help governments handle the task. There was a consensus among governments as to the obligations of states toward refugees. But in the 1970s and '80s, most people forced to leave their bomes and arriving in Western Europe assumed a different profile.

Many came from countries whose governments had long enjoyed Western political support. At a minimum, they were victims of complex socioeconomic and political crises that Western governments had a hand in brewing — Afghanistan, Cambodia, Haiti, Iraq, Somalia, Sri Lanka, Vietnam, Zaire, to name but a few. More often than not, they were neither white nor Christian.

And as social and economic problems in richer countries have deepened, refugees, humped together with foreigners in general, have increasingly come to be seen as threatening - to the job market, to scarce social services, to law and order.

At the same time, the separate identity of refugees - people forced to flee because of persecution on racial, ethnic, religious or other grounds - became blurred. To some degree, this is a matter of perception, as politi-cians and the public fail to distinguish the special oceds and experience of refugees from that of increasing numbers of migrants seek-

ing better lives away from bome. But the blurring is also the consequence of more profound change. Increasing numbers of people fleeing their homes do so because life has become insupportable there. They may not be pushed out at the end of a rifle or with the threat of execution looming over them, but population pressure, regional conflicts, environmental degradation and absence of work opportunities combine to encourage if not force them to leave,

By Sadruddin Aga Khan

One result of all this is that the consensus. particularly among Western governments, un-derpinning national and toternational obliga-tions toward refugees has been whittled away.

When the war to former Yugoslavia broke, some people thought that the ambivalence of West European governments toward so-called "genuine" refugees would evaporate. The re-sponsibility of states toward fellow Europeans fleeing imprisonment, rape and execution, all harrowingly recorded, often live on television,

would be clear. But they were wrong.

Europe is now turning its back on refugees. Three million people have been displaced to the center of Europe. Hundreds of thousands of refugees have been generated by yet another tragedy in the Balkans. Most are camped in

Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia and Bosnia. Some have made it to neighboring states, like Hungary, and the luckiest have been

In an increasingly interdependent world, one in which problems cannot be quarantined or excluded from national frontiers, we must recognize that all human

beings are one people.

taken in farther afield to Austria, Germany, Sweden or Switzerland. But other countries to the north and west have argued that refugees should stay in countries of first asylum and therefore that they do not have a responsibility for accepting them.

Arguments over burden sharing have re-sulted in conditions being set upon refugees themselves. They may need sponsors' letters, visas or proof that their relatives have already been resettled before refugee organizations are authorized to help them.

Anyone old enough to remember World War II, or who has worked in a conflict simation, will recognize the absurdity of this. And to compound it all, international funding for UN and other agencies supporting refugees and the aid programs is now drying up. As in other situations which have generated large numbers of refugees, political leaders in Europe and elsewhere have a clear responsibility for what has happened. Hav-ing been instrumental to bringing Bosnia into existence, the United Nations has failed to halt its dismemberment.

A catalogue of missed opportunities, miscalculations and instances of indecisive Western leadership have amounted to a comprehensive failure to develop a coherent international framework within which the megalomaniac ambinous of Balkan politicians can be contained.

Humanitarian aid is being provided after the event, often io an ad hoc manner, often prompted by media reports of the horrendous conditions being faced by civilians.

Refugees stand ont as the most potent symbol of the West's failure to anticipate and circumscribe the situation in Bosnia, the fal-ture of post-Cold War diplomacy. And the way refugees are being treated and cold-shouldered by the very countries which might, with foresight, have prevented them from becoming refugees in the first place is nothing short of disgraceful.

Sadly, this is not a unique example. Per-haps in a world of "realpoints" it is not surprising that when the geopolitical spotlight moves, the human flotsam and jetsam are left unsupported, left to fend for themselves. The end of the Cold War has deflated East-West tensions in many theaters, including Afghanistan, Angola, Cambodia, Somalia and else-

where. But the fighting has not stopped.

If European refugees—on the doorstep of the richest countries in the world, the countries instrumental in bringing about the UN Charter, Geneva conventions, the Universal Devices of the body. Declaration of Human Rights and the body of international law that underpins the international refugee regime, including the right of asylum — are being abandoned to fate, what hope is there for refugees in much.

poorer parts of the world?
Worse, the international community's willingness to accept a three-way division of Bosingness to accept a three-way division of Bos-nia represents capitulation to militant nation-alism and, de facto, to "ethnic cleansing" itself. "Anything for a quiet life" seems to be the message coming from the diplomats. Thus not only are we denying responsibil-ity for the buman beings ejected by the con-flict. We have even suspended our efforts to address the root causes of the problem. The

signal that this is sending to other anthoritar-ian groups, whether in Eastern Europe or in other parts of the world, will be well received. It is that the commitment to international law, to universal standards on human rights and to democracy is negotiable. Abuse ordiscrimination against minorities becomes a

calculated gamble whose "success" or "failure" depends more on specific geopolitical circumstances. Minorities around the world are taking note, with alarm: Kinds, Copts. Muslims in India, non-Russians in Russia. different ethnic groups in Central Asia as well

as foreign workers in Europe.

The shortightedness of Western leaders is breathtaking, Refugees, according to the UN Population Fund, may represent about 20 percent of the estimated 100 million people who find themselves international migrants. Unable to cope with the social and political problems that such massive movements of people generate, the politicians have failed to articulate, let alone initiate, policies that address the causes. The 1981 report on measures to prevent and contain massive exoduses of refugees which I submitted as special rappor-teur to the UN Human Rights Commission has been gathering dust at the Manhattan headquarters ever since.

Ad hoc responses to the symptoms only exacerbate the problem. Programs to boost. literacy and education in developing coun-tries, to provide health care and family planning services and more equitable terms of trade, acknowledged to be essential for stabi-

lizing populations, are either underfunded or dismissed as irrelevant, given other domestic economic and political problems.

The needs and the rights of the individual are no longer universal. They vary according to their relevance to the electability and popu-

At a time when politicisms appear to have surrendered any precesse of communent to universal standards, the task falls to other leaders of society to uphold them — religious leaders, academics, lawyers, public figures and figures of authority in all walks of life —

The message is simple. In an increasingly interdependent world, one in which problems cannot be quarantined or excluded from national frontiers, we must recognize that all

migrants, and our failure to address the forces — political, social and economic — that generate them are an early warning signal that things are going badly wrong.

speaker, since 1965, is chosen by the abbey's dean and chapter. Prince Sadruddin, who spoke on July 20, is the first Muslim to give the lecture.

Nigerians' Elected Legislators Should Throw the General Out:

A NNANDALE-ON-HUDSON, New York A.—Nigeria's political crisis deepens by the day, Since the free presidential election on June, 12 was anulled by the military leader, Ibrahim Babangida, at least 100 people have died in

strikes and demonstrations.

Taking no chances on further unrest, the government has closed a radio station and several newspapers, including The Concord, owned by the apparent winner of the election, Moshood Abiola, of the Social Democratic Party, A new election has been rescheduled for Saturday, but four observers believe that it will take place or few observers believe that it will take place or that Nigerians will accept the results if it does.

A Canadian journalist asked me recently whether it was General Babangida's charisma that gave him the ability to twist Nigerians around his little finger. No Nigerian has ever accused him of charisma. What they do hold against him is his willingness to play on the nation's deep divisions more flagrantly than any leader before him. This is the Nigerians' By Chinua Achebe

greatest weakness - their inability to face

grave threats as one people instead of as com-peting religious and ethnic interests.

Nigeria's plight also shows that having an abundance of talented and educated people and material wealth will not ensure national prosperity when that wealth lies at the disposal

a corrupt leadership, What Nigerians of all classes, religious and ethnic loyalties must do is overcome their differences enough to defeat the dictator. It has become clear to even the most gullible Nigerian that General Babangida's elaborate transition program, which was supposed to move the country from military to civilian rule, was a hoax.

Why have Nigerians cooperated for so long. with this charade? Most likely because the potential for explosion is so great that any sacri-fice is worth making to prevent the fuse from being lit. This is the reason they behaved so immaculately through the last election process. But patience with incipient tyranny is a grave error. Tyrants are insatiable, and no sacrificial

offerings will satisfy their appetite.
General Babangida is digging himself in for a last-ditch effort to remain in power. But he is self-centered and reckless and, like a blinded Sampson, may well pull down the edifice on his own head by pushing the people to the

point of full-scale revolt. A timid response from politicians and the middle class has already failed, and opportunism will only compound the failure. The decision of the National Republican Convention, whose candidate, Bashir Tofa, lost the presidential election, to go along with Saturday's vote is the result of short-aghted self-interest.

A hallmark of political maturity is the loser's willingness to accept the verdict of the electorate to a democratic election contested according to the rules. In agreeing to go to a second election, the party is sustaining General Babangida's desire to step on the nation

The only same path open is for Nigerians of all ethnic groups, religious, classes and professions to tell him to get out — fast. If he refuses to step down, the National Assembly, formed last year to preparation for the transition to civilian rule, should dismiss him on Aug. 27, the date originally set for transition to civil rule, and appoint Mr. Abiola as president.

. The National Assembly is the highest popularelected body in the country and needs to assume leadership in a critical stalemate. Gener al Babangida has threatened to dissolve it, but the members should simply ignore him. Nigeria expects the assembly members to do their duty or be judged accomplices in a cowardly crime.

The writer, a Nigerian novelist, is professor of languages and literature at Bord College. He contributed this comment to The New York Times.

The Swelling Crisis Over Jobs Backs Governments to the Wall

WASHINGTON — For some time now, it has been apparent that something has gone askew with the old-time relationship of economic growth to job creation. In the past couple of years, new technologies have enabled many companies, especially large manufacturers, to churn out the same volume of production with fewer and fewer employees.

This phenomenon may represent a disconnection between economic growth and jobs, and set back Presi-

ent Bill Clinton's hope for a meaningful economic recovery. The fact that unemployment sticks at about 7 percent disturbs consumer confidence not only among those out of work but also among people who still have jobs. Some analysts contend that there really is nothing new in the equation that a surge in demand will not cure.

Eventually, optimists say, companies

By Hobart Rowen oow using overtime and "temps" to fill their labor needs will have to add that have followed the market's expecto regular payrolls. But what will produce that risin

demand? In the face of the deficit reduction program, Treasury Secretary Lloyd Bentsen told a group of reporters that although the second half of 1993 will be better, "1994 will not be a robust year." He concedes that the net effect of deficit reduction -assuming that the Clinton package passes -could depress the economy. On top of all the other bad news, the Federal Reserve seems to be itching to raise interest rates. That could set up a classic confrontation between the Clinton administration and the supposedly friendly chairman of the Fed, Alan Greenspan.

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tation of deficit reduction to be the main force in generating economic recovery. But if the economy goes into a tailspin, he said, ways will be found for example, by adjusting the effective dates of tax increases — to take some of the sting out of the fiscal package.
Others in the administration, off the record, voice even graver doubts that

an incipient recovery can survive the impact of tax increases and sper cuts (especially in defense), which will come on top of corporate downsizing and weaker foreign markets.
"ft's a very delicate balance," says

"We bave a lot of debt, both business he Fed, Alan Greenspan.

Like Mr. Clinton, Mr. Bentsen touts

and consumer, and lower interest rates are being used to pay off that debt ... They're not using this new money to create jobs and rebuild." There is an even bigger problem, referred to as "structural," relating to forces that may be present whether the economy is in the recession or the

recovery part of a normal business

cycle. In an interview on this phase of

the problem, Labor Secretary Robert Reich says that in America "the big problem is the quality of the job."

In all industrialized countries, Mr. Reich says, "there has been a shift in demand in favor of skilled workers,

compared to anskilled workers." In the United States, for example, according to Mr. Reich, only 3.2 percent of college graduates are unemployed, while the figure is close to 11.5 percent for high school dropouts. To discuss these and related issues,

Mr. Reich and Commerce Secretary Ron Brown convened a one-day seminar in Chicago this past Monday on "the future of the American workplace." It was hoped to drive home the point that advances in technology, plus competition from abroad, "have eroded the economic security that frontline workers once took for gamted?"
To deal with the global jobs issue,
President Clinton has called a "jobs

summit" among key nations for the fall, although it is not clear what can be accomplished. The gium word from the Paris-based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development is that in the so-called rich

countries, unemployment is expected to rise to 36 million individuals next year, or up 10 million just since 1990. The outlook is much worse in Europe than in America. A staggering 50 percent of those out of work in Europe have been unemployed for a year or more. In Italy, according to a study by Constance Somentino of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 72 percent of the unemployed had been out of work for a year or more. In the

United States, she says, the compara-ble figure is only 6 percent. Europe suffers from what the OPCD calls "the long-term uncoupleyment trap" — excessively long periods of unemployment feeding on themselves. This is due in large part to the much more generous unemployment compensation system in Europe's welfare states. In Germany, memployment insurance pays 80 percent of normal wages. In some countries, such as Belgium, high unemployment insurance compensation can continue virtually indefinitely.

More and more, the jobs problem looks like a catch-22: In all major employment insurance con

countries, greater poblic sector spending is needed to trigger private spending that can boost demand, hence jobs. But almost all countries, except Japan, face large deficits. In trying to cure the deficits, the United States and Europe may be bringing on yet another full-blown recession. The Washington Post.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1893: Making Light

BERLIN — The German press generally condemns the action of France toward Siam. The Pronkfurter Zeitting, for example, remarks that the French are treating this crisis, which means peace or war, lightly as though it were merely a matter of taking a walk in the Bois de Boulogne. "It is the old story when a cheap victory with small danger is in sight, all France is united. When things go wrong they know how to find a scapegoat and punish him."

1918: Separate Siberia

PEKING - News is received from Omsk that the Provisional Government has proclaimed the independence of Siberia under the authority of the Council of Ministers sitting at Omsk. ft has annulled all Maximalist decrees and has formed Soviets, restored the Siberian Duma, cancelled the confiscations of property pending the assembling of the Constituent

and solved the agrarian problem. The Provisional Government has asked the Vladivostok Government to approve this action.

1943: The Heat on Italy LONDON - [From our New York

edition: The Italian people, now freed of the Mussolini regime, must decide whether they will surrender unconditionally as a whole nation of become, as the Germans hope, a battleground which will delay the carry ing of the war to German soil, Prime rister Churchill told the House of Commons today [Tuly 27]. He said no approaches had been made to the British government by the new regame of Marshal Pietro Badoglio and he admitted that he knew little of nothing of the new Italian government. Since Italy still remained in the war, he said, no new decision was yet called for from the Allies. We should let the Italians, to use a homely phrase, stew in their own juice for a bit, and hot up the fire."

WASHINGTON — Robert Samuelson believes that the Unit-By Alice M. Rivlin The writer is deputy director of the ed States needs bold deficit reduction and to cut wasteful spending and make taxes fairer ("Under the Budger Office of Management and Budget. trast, the chairman of the Federal Re-

Camouflage," Opinion, July 23). He also believes that America needs to invest in its people and its economy. That sounds like a description of President Bill Clinton's economic plan. So you would expect Mr. Samuel-

son to be applauding as Congress resolves differences on its way to embodying the president's plan to the budget reconciliation bill. Instead, he is carping that the plan doesn't do enough. Doesn't do enough? Listen to the protests from Republicans, and you hear exactly the opposite: It does too much. Republicans believe Congress ought to do about \$100 billion less in deficit reduction.

In fact, this is a realistic and fair plan for deficit reduction that greatly improves the chances for higher productivity and better American jobs in the future. Presumably that is what Mr. Samuelson wants. Unfortunately, by dumping on the president's pro-gram because he believes it ought togo farther, he is encouraging those who

hope to defeat it. And make no mistake about it. The defeat of this plan could mean the end of serious delicit reduction efforts: There is no alternative with even a ghost of a chance of being enacted. To respond to points made by Mr. Samuelson: \$500 billion in deficit re-

duction is bold and means real change. The writer trivializes half a trillion

dollars by calling it "modest." By con-

phastzed the important phastzed the institution package to maintaining low interest rates. He clearly believes that achieving \$500 billion is significant. Actually, many economists are worried that greater deficit reduction

serve, Alan Greenspan, last week em-

hasized the importance of the \$500

right now would be risky for an economy still recovering from recession. The Clinton economic team originally proposed increasing investment nding in the current year to ensure spending in the content, your chough that the recovery was strong enough to withstand the short-run contrac-tional effects of delicit reduction. The fact that the "stimulus package" was rejected by the Republicans to the Senate strengthens the case for not pushing delicit reduction so last that the economy falters.

The ratio of spending cuts to tax increases is one-to-one. The president's plan proposed \$250 billion in spending cuts and \$250 billion to tax increases. The Congressional Budget Office pronounced the ratio almost exactly one-to-one. The plan that emerges from Congress will likely tip the ratio more toward spending cuts.

The president proposed 200 specific

spending cuts in entitlement and discretionary programs, including 100 separate cuts of more than \$100 million each over five years. Congress has accepted a remarkable number of the president's cuts, and added a few of its

such as farm and veterans' programs, have not escaped. Reimbursements for providers under Medicare have been substantially cut. Federal pay and retirement benefits took part of the hit. Congress has even had the courage to accept the president's pro-posed cuts in Social Security benefits

The plan makes significant investments to technology, infrastructure and worker skills. It reflects a difficult double strategy for economic growth: increase private investment by cutting the deficit's drain on national saving and simultaneously shift the mix of federal spending toward investment in future productivi-ty. Mr. Samuelson dismisses the new investments as "trimmed" by Congress, but despite deficit reduction, there will be more money for roads and bridges, science and technology, Head Start and other early childhood interventions and training of workers to do productive jobs.

for the relatively well-off.

The deficit has not been confronted seriously to the past because elect-ed officials have lacked the will or leadership to make tough choices and take on special interests. Today, the will and the leadership are there. The president and Democrats in Congress are providing it.

The people want action. And Congress has moved remarkably fast. If the critics will stand aside, it is likely to produce a historic reconciliation bill - and historic change for the United States,

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sports, journalism, entertainment, business.

The consequences of not doing so are not just ethical or philosophical. They are ultimately suicidal. The suffering of refugees and

This comment was adapted by the International Herald Tribune from the latest "One People Oration" at Westminster Abbey. The annual

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On Refug Bring Together the World This Torture

By A. M. Rosenthal

N EW YORK — In their living room in Atlanta, Hassan and Yasmin Ibrahim are having one of their nightly worned talks about their three little guis. Both want what is best for the children; but they cannot agree on a decision that will affect the guls every day of the rest of their young lives Mrs. Ibrahim seems a gentle woman, but she insists that each girl must in

childhood have her clitoris removed. In America, she says, it won't be as awful as back home in Somalia. She says here it can be done in a hospital, with a doctor and anesthetic — not in a hat, by a village headwoman, with the child awake to the knife and screaming

Mr. Ibrahim, a certified public accountant, says he has "a big question mark" in his mind. He does not want his children to go through what their mother had to endure, like most Somali women. But his wife says that without the surgery no Somali man will marry them.

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They would be "different" — and she would be betraying her culture.
"Female circumcision" is not illegal in America. Mr. Ibrahim rejects the embe-mism and says "mutilation." f doubt many take place in the United States yet. But I selected the Ibrahim story to begin this column in the hope that the U.S.

angle might arouse interest among Americans in female genital mutilation, the world's most widespread form of forture.

That is also the reason that ABC producers selected the Brahim story to begin a segment on mutilation they made for the "Day One" program. The 15-minute film was shot five months ago in the United States and Africa. So far the

public has not seen it. It has been schedilled, postponed, edited to cut out some
shocking material, postponed again.
When I inquired, Roone Arledge,
president of ABC News, said no date
had been set but it would be shown in the fall. He said it would probably not be on in "Day One's" prime-time slot but later in the evening.

Every year millions of African girls, and some Asians, are mutilated. About 80 million live with scars on their bodies and minds. Nobody can know how many. more millions died from the mutilations. As the Minority Group International of London describes them, the operations the Gener can include cutting off the hood of the clitoris or the entire chtoris, all or part of the labia minora, part of the labia majora and sewing together the sides of the vulva by catgut or with thoms. The purpose is to prove virginity and reduce female ser-nal pleasure. All this is done with sawtooth knife, razor blade or glass, while the girls are held or tied down.

Some of the specific horrors are touched on a bit fightly in the edited ABC film. I hope they will be reinstated. But ABC went after the story and the

film is brave, strong and important for TV viewers to see, the sooner the better. A few newspapers and magazines also have done good reporting. But no other mass violation of humanity has received

so comparatively little attention. In America, the capture of Chinese refugees received more press and consional scrutiny over a few days than the mutilation of millions of women has

attracted over decades.

African Muslim women are principal victims. But in no religion is female mutilation demanded. It is rooted in superstitious contempt of women so deep that its victims, their mothers and daughters pay homage to the knife that mutilates them.

In Africa, women's groups work for action against the mutilations; a few laws are passed. But most African governments fail to protect half their popu-

The rest of the world has failed, too. The totality of religion, government, politics, diplomacy, the courts, human rights groups and women's organizations has not provided nearly enough money, present sure or teaching for a real struggle against genital mutilation of women.

So two worlds have failed them, their own and the world beyond. We do not know why. We know only that they exist, and that every year their millions grow. The New York Times.

Ways to Combat Violence on Film

T OS ANGELES - Violence cannot be sanitized out of American culture even if, as I hope, gruesome and gratuitous violence becomes more and more "politically incorrect" in popular entertainment.

Over the decades, we have seen the media industry self-censor many negative ideas and images - from the Amos 'n' Andy stereotype of African-Americans to the depiction of alcohol, cigarettes and hard drugs as glamot-ous. There are some things that re-

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sponsible writers and directors just don't do anymore. Excessive violence should be added to the list.

There will still be violence in the media, as in life, because there is evil in the world and human nature has its shadow side. There are also grinding poverty and substance abuse and meaninglessness that create a seedbed for violence as a way for some to cope with injustice.

The parameters of Americans' public discourse about media and vio-lence are complex. There are First Amendment concerns as well as public policies resulting from years of deregulation of the media industry and the erosion of the public-interest standard io favor of marketplace forces. As so many observers point out, violence is the stuff of fundamental mythologies, including the myth of

By Elizabeth Thoman

the American West. While Hollywood may feed these myths, it did not start them. Nor can Washington legislate them away. "Parental advisories" may help some, but they are not a solution.

Violence is a major health problem today and we must find workable solutions to prevent its further spread. I believe that media-literacy education must be a component of any effective effort at violence prevention, for both individuals and society as a whole, Media literacy, as defined to a 1992

report from the Aspen Institute, is the movement "to expand notions of literacy to include the powerful post-print media that dominate our information-al landscape." In classrooms as well as informal groups such as Scout troops or pareoting classes, people of all ages learn to apply a variety of critical-thinking skills to the thousands of images, words and sounds that hombard us daily. Although well established in other countries, media-literacy education is just beginning in the United States, ft's about time.

Media-literacy programs do oot excuse the storytellers of society from responsibility for the cultural environ-ment. But here are five ways that effective media-literacy education can contribute to lessening the impact of violence in our lives:

adventure, need to get the message that too much media violence can truly harm children. Parent organizations, churches, libraries and community groups can sponsor medialiteracy programs to help parents develop and enforce age-appropriate viewiog limits. • Change the impact of violent im-

ages that are seen. This can be done by deconstructing the techniques used to stage violent scenes and decoding the various depictions of violence in news. cartoons, drama, sports and music. It is important for children to learn early on the difference between reality and fan-tasy and to know how costumes, camera angles and special effects can fool them. Media-literacy activities oeed to be integrated into every learning environment - schools, churches and temples, after-school groups and clubs.

 Explore alternatives to stories that focus on violence as the solution to interpersonal conflict. Schools and day-care centers. libraries and families oeed to have collections of books and videos that provide positive role models to help counterbalance the actions and attitudes of today's "superberoes." Through media-literacy elasses, parents can also learn to transform

parents and care-givers. How many times have you been to a movie rated "R" for violence and seen children there? Adults, especially men whose viewing habits tend toward action-

> ture into opportunities for positive speech was not the freedom to protect modeling. One father, for example, creativity but the freedom to challenge agreed to let his child watch "Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles," but only if the named "Gandhi." Later they discussed Uncover and challenge the cultur-

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al, economie and political supports for media violence as well as the personal ways in which we may each be contributing to it. Media-literacy education empowers viewers to make the connections between what they see on the screen and what they experience at home, at work, at school. Media violence is oot isolated from other social olence in our lives:

es, parents can also learn to transform issues. And we must not forget that the magazine, from which this comment we Reduce exposure, by educating undesirable images from popular cultout of America's cherished freedom of excerpted by the Los Angeles Times.

the political and economic status quo.

Promote informed and rational ehild would imagine a fifth turtle public debate in schools, community and civic gatherings, religious groups how "Ninja Gandhi" might get the and in the media. The reality of our Turtles out of trouble without violence. current situation demands that we Americans ask ourselves what kind of culture we want our children to grow up in and whether we can continue to allow the media to profit from products that are clearly contributing to a social condition that endangers public safety.

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for Fewer Immigrants" (June 28) states:

"According to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 8.9 million peo-

ple have legally immigrated to the Unit-

ed States in the past decade, and 3 mil-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A Volunteer UN Army? The Case Against

Regarding "Far the UN, a Volunteer Peace Force" (Opinion, July 12) by Ste-phen S. Rosenfeld:

-A UN rapid deployment force is a contradiction in terms, based on the illusion that unambiguous signals exist when civil war or ethnic conflict is near. It would be rare if in potential crises all members of the Security Council agreed that war was imminent and that military

intervention was appropriate.

The example of the former Yugoslavia shows all the difficulties formulating a coherent intervention in civil war. Assome that a volunteer UN rapid deployment force had existed. At what point would using it have made a difference in the Balkans? For what purpose would the force have been used? Was it likely that the European Community, the United States and the Security Council

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would have come to quick consensus to have used the force effectively? And if

the force was used, what would have happened if the force became bogged down in a shooting war? Just recently in Somalia, where the threat is a low-level urban guerrilla war, we have seen how quickly consensus can disappear when military action heats up.

Mr. Rosenfeld acknowledges that a

volunteer force can become bogged down and need to be rescued by a nonvolunteer UN military operation. But he suggests that the value of a UN volun-teer force as a deterrent would outweigh the risks. Given that the resistance of General Mohammed Farrah Aidid in Somalia came during UN intervention, why would similar leaders be deterred by possible future intervention?

I may be old-fashioned, but I believe

t is a good idea that leaders think about the political consequences of intervening militarily in civil wars. By removing potential domestic costs for going to war, a crucial check on military adventurism is lost. The threat of domestic political costs forces leaders and pundits to make their case to the public. Sometimes they convince, other times they do not. At the heart of the proposal for a

UN army is a belief that people like Mr. Rosenfeld know the risks of military intervention in civil war better than voters. But could it be that the majority of citizens in Europe and the United States were right - that military intervention in the Balkans would have been protracted, bloody, with no end in sight? STEPHEN JOHN STEDMAN.

Cape Town. The writer is an assistant professor of African studies and comparative politics at the School of Advanced International Studies of John Hopkins University.

Germany and Foreigners

Regarding "Q&A: Roots of the Violence That Has Shaken Germany" (June 21): Elisabeth Noelle-Neumann in effect

blames the violence currently being directed against foreigners in Germany on the victims themselves, on the asylumseekers who she says are seen as threats by Germans because their "behavior and values are very different from their own" and on the 15 million Turkish guest workers who "surround" their 80 million German bosts. When she goes on to say that she herself feels that "you have to accept certain principles that are a deep part of human nature," it seems

that she is talking about those who have been carrying out the violent acts. Almost two years ago, Mrs. Noelle-

Neumann became a controversial figure in the United States when an article in Commentary magazine revealed that, before coming to the United States to study in 1937, she had been a member of at least one Nazi student organization and that writings of hers composed dur-ing her time in America and after ber return to Germany in 1939 contained passages expressing traditional anti-Semitic themes. It is ironic that while she has gained notoriety in some quarters in America for her actions during the Nazi era, Mrs. Noelle-Neumann is turned to locally to explain the rise of right-wing violence in Germany today.

MICHAEL C. KOTZIN,

Although Mrs. Noelle-Neumann is wrong in her view of racial violence as something bred in the blood, she is consistent in her description of "Germans' sensation of being threatened, of not being at home anymore.

In 1937, she explained National Socialism to Americans as a "reaction to the loss of national pride, to complete helplessness of a disarmed Germany ... to overruling of the cultural and eco-

nomic life through extending influence of Jews, caused by the fact that in Germany after the war about 70-90 percent of the key positions in medicine, law, the press, the theater and a large part of government positions were in the hand of Jews." (Daily Missourian, Nov. 24, 1937). Plus ça change ...

LEO BOGART. New York.

Horror in Liberia

Regarding the editorial "Amok in Libe-ria" (Editorial, June 10):

As a missionary living in Liberia, I saw firsthand that it was the common, everyday person who suffered the most as a result of Liberia's civil war. This graphic editorial vividly tells of the horrors of this war. It is beyond my comprehension why anyone would massacre innocent women, children and babies. What possible reason could be given to justify this slaughter? My hope and prayer is that this war will end before more atrocities occur.

> STEVE SARRETT. Bouaké, Ivory Coast.

Counting the Immigrants The report "U.S. Public Now Calls lion others may have slipped into the country illegally." But in "Too Much Unskilled Immigration is Bad for You," by Lawrence E. Harrison (Jan. 16, 1992), estimates of the number of illegal immigrants range from 5 million to 8 million. Why are there such significant differences in these figures? JAMES H. de COU.

Le Vésinet, France.

On the Way to the Top

Regarding the report "The Judge's Biggest Booster (June 18):

Don't get me wrong; Support is warmly welcome from either spouse. But this
article's canonization of Judge Ruth
Bader Ginsburg's busband is ironic when
women are expected as a matter of course to make the same sacrifices and contributions to their husband's careers. Its paternalistic tone belittles Judge Ginsburg's own efforts, sacrifices and success in her rise to the highest judicial appointment in the United States.

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- GENERAL NEWS

St. James Church: Blood on the Pews

By Bill Keller New York Times Service

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CAPE TOWN - Absurdly, the first notion that came to Kara-Anne Harris as killers kicked in the door of St. James Church and blasted worshipers with automatic rifles and grenades was that they were after the Russians.

If St. James is a symbol of any-thing, it stands for an open-hearted evangelical hospitality extended to the squalid black shacktowns nearby and to homesick fishermen from visiting Russian trawlers. There were 140 seamen sitting

with the multiracial congregation at the Sunday evening service, lis-tening to a duet of the gospel time "More Than Wonderful." Then the gore and splinters began to fly. "I wonder if it's because we have Russians in our church," Miss Har-

ris remembered thinking for a mo-ment, before recalling the cud of the Cold War and chading herself: "On goodness, that would be old." This new war, she realized, is against people like her and their half-realized dream of South Afri-

shipers dead — including three Russians — and more than 50 wounded in the cozy Cape Town suburb of Kenilworth, ft was the most hornific in eight months, since the opening of a terrorist war on white submibia.

Two men claiming to represent the Azanian People's Liberation Army, the armed wing of the black-nationalist Pan-Africanist Con-gress, claimed responsibility, The Associated Press reported. The callers telephoned the South African Press Association on Monday

The killing of people at prayer stunned South African whites with a fresh premouition of the carnage they expect en route to the country's first universal elections in

was intended to frighten South Africa off its course of negotiated change, it seemed likely to have just the opposite effect. Negotiators laboring over a constitution say each attack is another reminder that only a credible, elected government

The attack, which left 12 wor-shipers dead — including three St. James is a congregation more term of other killings in attacks that oreds were being forcibly expelled from the neighborhood in the years of apartheid. Nine of those who died were white and two of mixed

race. None of the blacks or Indians at the service were killed. Since President Frederik W. de Klerk renounced segregation three years ago, the neighborhood and the church have grown more di-verse: Miss Harris, 21, a student of English and drama, said her church

youth group is two-thirds non-"It's a place where I feel at bome," said Lorenzo Smith, a pa-rishioner of mixed race whose wife If, as many assumed, the carnage died of a shrapnel shard to the

heart even though he was sprawled on top of her in the aisle.

The church belongs to a breakaway Anglican denomination that split with the Church of England in the last century and now practices

of the future than of the past. It has have laid waste to a golf chub, a welcomed worshipers of all races family steak restaurant, commuters for its 25 years, even when the driving their children to school and mixed-race residents known as coloreds were being forcibly expelled smeared Bibles may drive more people to emigrate or seek the solace of the separatist fringe.

Among the parishioners of St. James, fear was countered by resilience and resignation, some talk that God had ordained them to stay and a much-discussed appreciation of what township blacks face

The Reverend Ross Anderson, 35, last month turned down a min-ister's job in Raleigh, North Caroli-na. He said he would do the same if

the offer came again. Jenny Johnston and her hus-band, Owen, said the subject of emigration had come up again. She said she was still haunted by "the smell of ammunition and damaged bodies" and terrified for her three children, but not yet willing to

"Even after last night's disaster, this is my country," she said.

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Dangers of AIDS Research

Some Scientists, Under Pressure, Take Risky Shortcuts

By Lawrence K. Altman

NEW YORK — Mistakes in laboratory research are embarrassing and more common than generally recognized. Only a few make headlines, such as the serious error acknowledged last week by scientists at the Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School.

The agrees in a theory instituting a novel drug

tal and Harvard Medical School.

The error, in a theory justifying a novel drug therapy for HIV, the virus that causes AIDS, illustrates the enormous pressures on AIDS scientists to publish quickly while maintaining traditional scientific standards. And it points up the risks run by scientists and federal health officials when they wish into clinical trials on the granted. when they rush into clinical trials on the ground

that a lethal disease justifies greater speed In the Harvard case, a national trial began without independent confirmation of preliminary research findings, illustrating the risks in taking

The scientific dilemma stems from the desperate situation with AIDS. Throughout the world, millions are infected with HIV. But there is no care and existing drug treatments have limited benefit for a limited time. AIDS scientists work in the hope that their findings may stop a major scourge

as well as bring personal glory.

The Harvard error was made in carrying out test-tube experiments involving HIV. Recognition of that mistake has demolished the scientific evidence supporting the Harvard team's theory that

assurance of success for the proposed strategy of giving the three drugs, AZT, ddI and nevirapine, to 400 volunteers in 16 medical centers across the

Many experts believe that the desperate situa-tion with AIDS justifies testing any number of drugs in combination or in sequence, and that other evidence, in addition to the now-flawed theory, supports the triple-drug therapy. Experi-ence with treating bacterial diseases like tuberculo-sis shows that combinations of drugs are often more effective and can suppress the early development of drug resistance.

The error also revealed a surprising degree of shoppiness in the quality of bench research con-ducted by researchers at one of the most presti-gious hospitals and medical schools in the world. Much of the research was carried out by a Harvard medical student, Yung-Kang Chow, With his more experienced colleagues as co-authors, Mr. Chow published without repeating crucial steps to verify ambignous data. The team misread labora-tory data and failed to detect a fifth mustion m the virus used in the experiment, said Dr. Martin S. Hirsch, the Harvard scientist supervising the re-

This incident adds to a list of the times when the much-heralded peer review system failed to detect the flawed research it was designed to weed out. Nature, the British scientific journal in which the Harvard team published in February, ranks at the dence supporting the Harvard team's theory that using a combination of three drugs against one using a combination of three drugs against one top of scientific publications. Yet when some expensive region in HIV could stop its replication.

Yet even if something works in a test tube, it was detected, they said the Harvard paper was so often fails in humans, a point the Harvard team flawed that it should not have been published.

Pretoria and ANC Ask Rival Groups To Resume Talks

JOHANNESBURG - South Africa's government and its main black negotiating partner, the African National Congress, attempted Tuesday to woo black and white conservative groups to crucial talks on the first post-apartheid consti-

"All parties are looking for ways to accommodate their demands and bring them back into the process." a delegate said.

Attempts were being made to hold discussions with the pro-apartheid Conservative Party, which has described the draft constitution as a recipe for civil war. Officials of the ANC, the Inkatha Freedom Party's main black political rival, said they were arranging a meeting to try to get the Zulu-based Inkatha to attend Wednes-

Asked what would happen if Inkatha and the Conservative Party failed to turn up on Wednesday, the ANC's chief negotiator, Cyril Ramaphosa, said "the process is too important for anyone to hold it

Before elections take place, the Conservative Party wants a white homeland, while inkatha is seeking constitutional guarantees of auton-

A Coup for 'Misha's Party'

The Human Drama Overshadows Russian Politics

This is a richly

Chekhovian piece

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribuni

ONDON — "Misha's Party" (in the Barbican Pit) is an unusual collaboration between the American dramatist Richard Nelson and the Russian playwright Alexander Geland the Russian playwright Alexander Oderman. Working through interpreters, since neither speaks the other's language, they have devised a dining-room comedy set in Moscow's Ukraine Hotel overlooking the Russian parliament building on the night of Aug. 20, 1991, elimax of the abortive August coup when Yeltsin withstood the tanks.

But this is not an essentially political play. Like Louis Malle's "Milou in May," which followed the domestic troubles of a French family during the student uprising of 1968, it uses a major historical event as background to a domestic drama in which famil-

ial relationships change as drastical-ly as the nation around them. Misha is a Muscovite museum curator who, in celebration of his 60th birthday, has brought together ms first and second wives, their new husbands, his daughter and a couple of stray tourists who just hap-pen to be in the hotel. We then homecoming.

watch each of their lives and rela-tionships being overhauled.

This is a richly Chekhovian piece about exile and This is a richly Chekhovian piece about exile and homecoming, and about the regrouping of a dysfunctional family in a tottering regime. If in the end the play is less than the sum of its parts, the parts are all wonderfully played, oot least by Barry Foster as the host, Barbara Jefford and Cheryl Campbell as the exwives and Anthony O'Donnell and Benjamin Whitrow as their recalcitrant new husbands. David Jones districts the control of the

rects an agile team.

When Patrick Hamilton died 30 years ago, of drink and neglect among other ailments, Doris Lessing and Graham Greene were among those who wrote to The Times complaining of an unduly dismissive obituary, and pointing out that had he written of Bloomsbury high life rather than Soho low life he would have been

acclaimed as one of the great oovelists of the century. Since then, of course, Hamilton has been upwardly revaloed, but cothing does his reputation greater credit than Keith Baxter's breathtaking revival of "Rope" on Chichester's Minerva stage, one that urgently do-mands a West End transfer. Written and first staged in 1929. Hamilton's closet-murder drama was a buge '30s hit here and in America but then vanished totally,

killed off by an inadequate Hitchcock film and the mistaken belief that the story was of the Leopold-Loeb murder case in Chicago, which has been the source of many subsequent plays and films.

In fact, "Rope" was written before that murder was committed, and is a resolutely Belgravia story. Two wealthy undergraduates murder a third, put his body in a trunk and invite his lather to eat off it. All that happens as the curtain rises, for this is not a thriller or a whodumit, rather it is a stunning psychological drama about killing gays, one given a terrible topicality by current serial murders around London, Baxter has understood the timeless power of "Rope" to chill the spine, and in casting Anthony Head as the war-weary poet who thinks he can tolerate murder until confronted with one, we have the best-actor performance of this year. Around him, Baxter has assembled John Barrowman and Alexis Denisof as the killers for two more power-

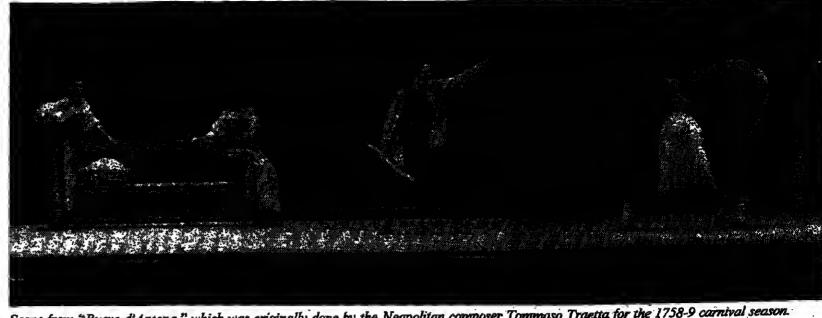
house performances.

Another long-lost London drama comes back to us from 1949 at the King's Head, this one intriguing for biographical rather than theatrical reasons. "September Tide" was Dephne du Maurier's only stage play, written for Gertrude Lawrence when the author was just coming out of an unhappy lesbian alliance. Rather than risk the truth

of that in the public morality of the time, du Maurier here gives us "forbidden love" of another kind: A mother-in-law falling for her daugh-ter's bridegroom. Set on her beloved Cornish coast, the drama fairly creaks with all the familiar symbols of "Rebecca" and "Jamaica Inn" — storms at sea, boats in peril and passionate embraces backed by thunder

The result is a fair load of old clifftop bokum, but Mark Rayment's production (unlike his recent "Chalk Garden" at this address) is perfectly in period style, with Susannah York and Brendan Coyle unexpectedly convincing as the doomed lovers and Francesca Himt even better as the chilly bride who stands between them.

Du Maurier, the daughter of an actor and grand-daughter of a dramatist, clearly had a strong sense of dialogue and on this evidence one rather regrets that Hitchcock did not entrust her with the screenplay for "Rebecca." Seen now as a period piece, "September Tide" has a certain sturdy if novelettish character, and is admirably played by a cast most of whom cannot have been born when this one was last taken out of the



Scene from "Buovo d'Antona," which was originally done by the Neapolitan composer Tommaso Traetta for the 1758-9 carnival season.

For Goldoni Year, Venice Serves Up Opera

By David Stevens ational Revald Tribum

ENICE — The incredibly prolific Carlo Goldoni wrote almost 300 comedies in Italian and French. for the most part rooted in realistic observation of character and intended for a middle-class audience. This earned him a place in history as a theatrical reformer and kept his plays fresh and furny enough to enliven this 200th anniversary year of his death. But Goldoni is almost as important for the history of opera. His best plays have been adapted countless times, even into this

In his own lifetime, he was almost as active as an opera librettist. He started out trying to follow, disastrously, in the opera seria foot-steps of Metastasio. He gives an amusing account in his memoirs of reading one of his creations to the Venetian librettist Apostolo Zeno for expert criticism, and ended by making changes wherever the great man grimaced or ground his teeth.

In the 1750s, his final decade in Venice, Goldoni was contracted to supply eight come-dies a year to the Teatro di San Luca, and was dies a year to the Teatro di San Luca, and was almost as busy turning out opera books for from discovery, and the people of Antona

As its contribution to this Goldoni year, Venice's Teatro La Fenice called on the American scholar and conductor Alan Curtis to come up with one of Goldoni's lyric pieces to close the season. Curtis passed up Goldoni's multitude of collaborations with the Venetian composer Baldassare Galuppi and chose instead the dramma giocoso "Buovo d'Antona," done by the Neapolitan composer Tommaso Traetta for the carmival season of 1758-9 at the Teatro di San Moise.

As with his plays, the dramatic interest in Goldoni's librettos hies in the density of the plots and the mixture of the characters from aristocratie to plebian. "Bnovo" is a version of a popular narranve poem that crops up in the literature of several traditions, from Anglo-Norman to French and Italian.

Buovo, a nobleman, has been banished by Dake Maccabruno when the latter finds that they are both in love with the same princess, Drusiana, who has promised to marry Buovo but is very reluctant about it. When the complications are unraveled, Buovo ends up mar-

other theaters. His books were set by many composers and even the 12-year-old Mozart bruno, with equal rejuctance, and they are set a revised version of "La finta semplice."

Tractta is best known in musical history for his serious operas and as a quasi-Gluck-ian reformer of the genre. But he also wrote a number of comic works, of which this is one of the earliest.

In a program note. Curtis cites a number of innovations and andacities in Tractta's writing, but these are unlikely to be so apparent to the ear inexpert in the literature of the period. But there are frequent delights, such as one scene with a pizzicato acompaniment, and two well-developed act finales:

HE piece also had its longueurs; but these were not relieved much by Pier Luigi Pizzi's rather static staging. They may also be less evi-dent when the recording — made during the performances here — comes out in the fall on the French Opus 111 label.

Pizzi's main contribution was in the beauty of his sets, with their succession of painted dscapes to support the interior scenes. There were also some effectively farcical moments. Buovo's affectionate horse is played by a full-size puppet animal manipulated by

wires from the flies, and an aggressive bear, played by an actor in a bearskin. At the vork's premiere, the role of the duke was sung by a woman, and in a later production by a castrato, which must have heightened the sexual ambiguity and the spoofing of the aristocracy certainly intended by Goldoni. Here it was again a woman as the duke, but Curtis effectively carried the joke a step further by casting a step contact he gold as step further by casting a step contact here. further by casting a male countertenor as the

The Fenice production had its problems. The orchestra struck the first two performances, forcing Curtis to fill in at the key-board. But at the performance in question all was in order, and Curtis got good support from the orchestra.

He also got good performances from a somewhat inexperienced cast, headed by Howard Crook as Buovo, Caterina Trogn-Rômich as the duke, Roberto Balconi as the reticent princess, and Daniela Del Monaco as the charming miller gril that Buovo settles for.

Mainly what this work shows is Goldon's

importance in operatic history, especially if you consider this dramma giocoso as an early venture in a genre that reached its peak with "Don Giovanni." Da Ponte surely knew his Goldoni, and by then Mozart was no 12-year-

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On the Road in Southern France: It's Festival Time

By John Rockwell New York Times Service

IX-EN-PROVENCE, France -- The modern summer festival, where every European village bigger than a barn tries to lure tourist cash through culture, dates from after World War IL Provence was among the first to realize the cash-culture connection. But by now its leading festivals have atlained a longevity and an excel lence that make it easy to overlook whatever crass commercial considerations figured in their origins.

This summer, a traveler can sample Provençal festivals devoted not just to music, as bere at Aix-en-Provence, but also to photography, at Arles, and theater, at Avignon, all within an hour's drive of each

Apart from the arts in which they specialize, each festival is different in its leadership, its audiences, its financial underpinnings and its immediate prospects. Avignon, which appeals to a younger theater crowd. and Aix, appealing to the older

opera audience, are the granddad-dies; Avignon celebrates its 47th seem more prone to being affected birthday this summer and Aix its by changes of power to Paris. which Erio fears would straitjacket his festival on the conservative American model. 46th. Arles, by contrast, is of the next generation, this being only the 24th summer of its festival, Inter-

national Photographic Encounters. Arles, with its relatively modest budget and heavy local support, seems to be floating above the sea change of French national cultural polities: the shift from the Socialist Jack Lang to the Gaullist Jacques Toubon as minister of culture.

The recession has left its mark. Still, there are exhibitions all over the town, which is compact and walkable, through Aug. 15. The flashiest are devoted to Richard Avedon and Cecil Beaton, even if these are mostly familiar pictures. More typical are shows of veterans names (Larry Fink) and two phoographers from Japan, Koji Inoue and Eiichiro Sakata.

a considerable portion of their income from municipal and regional sources, given their value to tour-

Not that either is in any danger

of being struck from the national budget; both are too important and too prestigious for that. But Avignon is baving to cut back in the first year of the return of its former director, Bernard Faivre d'Arcier.

cialists, winding up as Lang's deouty for theater at the ministry. His ecu- festival, which he described, in menical, rampantly progressive approach to theater at Avignon this described by Le Monde as "the last tion." festival of the Lang era."

At Aix, where this year's festival (Harry Callahan), less glamorous ends Wednesday, the overall budof expensive opera performances nd Eiichiro Sakata. has dropped from 20 in 1991 to 16
All three of these festivals receive in 1992 and 13 in 1993. Ticket prices have also been lowered, partly because of empty seats, conceder Louis Erlo, general director, but ism. But Avignon and Aix, bigger also to avoid compensating at the duction was, not surprisingly, operations with a more sensitive box office for a drop in subsidy, boosed at the premiere.

his festival on the conservative American model.

But unlike Avignon, the state's contribution is slightly up, and Erlo bopes for even more support from Paris. On Thursday night, for a performance of Weber's "Euryanthe," Toubon was to the front row, kissing everyone in sight, and Faivre d'Arcier ran the festival in Erlo said that on Friday he and the early 1980s and then became a Toubon's new team were to sit stalwart arts functionary for the So-down and work out a comprehen-Sive three-v terms oo doubt dear to a Gaullist beart, as France's only festival with summer has already led to its being an "foremational image of distinc-

> One hopes Toubon was not so sensitive to opera aesthetics as to base his judgment of future festival support on this "Euryanthe." Stoutly sung, but tepidly under-played by Jeffrey Tate and the Eng-lish Chamber Orches tra and staged with a bizarre blend of misplaced chie and stilted undercharacteriza tion by Hans Peter Cloos, the pro-

Avignon remains true to its man-date as the premier French-lanmage theater festival in the world. Or perhaps just the premier theater festival, especially since, unlike the greatest-init-of-the-year aspect of Berlin's Theater Meeting, nearly everything at Avignon is brand-

This is a festival that quite literally takes over the city, and will do so this year until Aug. 2. Apart from festival productions crowding every and near town, a Avignon Public Off fringe festival this year lists nearly 400 more acts, many of which spill into the streets and publie spaces, day and night.

HERE are no landmark events at Avignon this year on the order of the Robert Wilson-Philip Glass "Einstein on the Beach" or the Peter Brook "Mahabharata," both of which were first done here. But Faivre d'Arcier is paying his respects both to established theater Molière's "Dom Juan" opened Jacques Lassalle with his Comedio-

the Papal Palace - and to theatri-

Perhaps most representative of from town. This combined circus acts, lots of birds, poetic interindes

and Gypsy music.

The whole thing purported to be about the ties of gravity. The best came last, when a heron flapped over the startled audience, landed next to a ragged street poet and seemed to engage him in earnest conversation, the poet in a long black overcoat with his hands behind his back and the beron walking as herons always walk, which looked just the same.

But the affair, with its Slavic and Gypsy flavorings, seemed also to evoke dreams of freedom during the Cold War amid coffechouse philosophizing in the back streets of Prague and Budapest. Faivre d'Arcier insisted the entire production was home-grown, even the Russian-looking aerialists. "They are all French," he said, "seduced Française actors in the courtyard of by images of Eastern Europe."

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writes, "are at the edge of a new decade, and as a Christian and a

writer, I believe this is one of the

"The world and the church." he

that are finally compelling.

Wartime Agitprop: 2 Rare Hitchcocks

By Rita Kempley

ASHINGTON — In terms of successful warnine agitprop, Alfred Hischoock's "Foreign Correspondent"
filled the bill far better than "Bon Voyage" and "Aventure Malgaciae," a pair of recently rediscovered shorts be
made at the behest of the British Ministry of Information. Shot in
quick succession in the winter of 1944, the mini-movies — both espionage thrillers - were soon shelved by the British flacks, who were particularly unhappy with the cynical thrust of "Aventure Malgache."

Hitchcock, reluctantly lent back to the fixits by David O. Sciznick, left Hollywood for Loadon to start work on "Bon Voyage" late in 1943. Though initially the idea was to whip up anti-Nazi sentiment in the Colonies, the bilingual Hitchcock was asked to devise a French-language tribute to the ingenuity and valor of the Resistance. Foreign-language filses not being a favorite with the masses of American moviegoers, the shorts are only now receiving their U.S. premiere.

"Bon Voyage," the more polished of the two yarms, was designed with "Foreign Correspondent" and "Saboteur" in mind, but it turned into "The Man Who Knew Too Little." Based on a story by the anti-

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Fascist Arthur Calder-Marshall, the screenplay by Angus McPhail and J.O.C. Orton chronicles the escape of a callow Scottish airman (John Blythe) from occupied France with help from the underground.

The story begins in London, where the garrulous young Blythe proudly describes his exploits via flashback to a pair

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of suspicious intelligence offi-curs. He gives particular credit to a fellow POW, a Pole who helped him book up with the Resistance, and to Jeanne, an earnest young Frenchwoman who smuggled him out of the country.

Both a fiviller and a cautionary tale, "Bon Yoyage" includes a second, compressed telling of the events from the Polish accomplice's point of view. Hitchcock's fingerprints are all over this segment of the story, which reveals the sholdinggery under the surface. "Bon Voyage" had a limited release in France. "Aventure Mai-

gache" never saw the light of day, Indeed, the subtext — the conflicts that divided the Free French — was hardly one to inspire the troops.

Never mind that it's also muddled and overstructured. Hitchcock, who wrote the script with Résistance fighter Claude Dauphin, also begins this story in the present before flashing back to the heroic past. Based on the real-life experiences of a lawyer-actor, Clarousse, the

film focuses on his rivalry with Jean Michel, a corrupt police officer in Madagascar who turns perty Vichy bureancrat when the island is occupied. Clarousse, who runs an underground railroad for Malagasy freedom fighters, is tried and sentenced to prison but carries on.

"Aventure Malgache" has its way moments — as when Jean Michelreplaces his bottle of Vichy water with a more politically correct brand before the British navy liberates the island — but it is also guilty of heavy-handed jingoism. When the British come ashore, they are not conqueross but confreres. The first thing they do is raise the French flag. It would have come as no surprise if they do been wearing herets.

As propaganda goes, both films are beautifully composed and dramatically lighted by the expatriate cinematographer Guenther Krampf. That both are wonderfully murky examples of the expression ionistic style that both Krampf and Hitchcock, then an art director, absorbed at Germany's UFA studios seems the ultimate irony. The men who knew too much, indeed.

BOOKS

ACTS: A Writer's Reflections on the Church, Writing and His Own Life"

By Larry Woiwode. 244 pages. \$17. Harper San Francisco. Reviewed by Ron Hansen E VER since Christianity was

simply called the Way, the Church has struggled to fully inte-grate its founder's teachings into its religious life. Questions of factionnity membership, and the function of charity and other gifts of the spirit seem to be brought up by each generation, but the besetting problem has always been how to be a good citizen in the world without being adversely changed by it. To answer such questions, Luke,

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wrote the fifth book of the New Testament, Acts of the Apostles, in the late first century. And now, to examine the challenges society poses to Christians, Larry Woiwode has given us a highly per-

The book of Acts followed Christ's chosen representatives

preached in the farthest parts of the Roman empire. "Ours is the exact cultural agenda and atmosphere that Paul faces in Acts," Woiwode says, when to be seriously Christian is to be considered a religious fanatic, and when fifth-column tactics seem increasingly necessary. A former actor and English pro-

fessor, and one of our foremost prose realists whose novels include "What I'm Going to Do, I Think" and "Indian Affairs," Woiwode is a disciple of the Paul in Acts who says he worships "the God of our fathers, believing all things that are written in the law and in the Proph-Accordingly, Woiwode ignores a

good deal of contemporary biblical scholarship here, feeling that it too often loses the essential message of Scripture while promoting a "disputatious focus on detail." His perspectives are based instead on John Calvin, G.I. Williamson and J. Gresham Machen, a founder of the Orthodox Presbyterian Church to which Woiwode belongs. Woiwode's prime intention is to

portray Christianity's forceful. beneficial effect on his own life and writes: "I was separated from my 10 years, and in that sense things were resolved, but there was oo resolution to other matters. At 35 I'd received the critical attention I'd boped to have by the end of my life, and also money, yet what did I have? A disorganized, scattered life with no peace. By the time I was reconciled with my wife, I'd lost my father, who had meant a lot to me and had, in spite of prejodices he'd faced, held to the (Catholic) faith his father had. In the midst of this

continuing lack of resolution, a moment of real . . . crisis came, when I had to say, or I realized however it happened, because it happens in wordlessness - f knew I would never live the same life."

And so Woiwode left university teaching, and he and his family moved onto a wheat farm in North Dakota, where he bome-schools his children and writes six hours a day, intimate and often condemnatory book of the kind Leo Tolstoy produced in his old age. Not a few of Woiwode's reflections have the flavor of the jeremiads against American popular culture and academia that Allan Bloom and Alexander Solzhenitsyn have chided us with in

best times to be alive." But "Acts" is hopeful and joy-

But "Acts" is hopeful and joy-ous, too, as a book based on the navel is "Mariette in Ecstary," wrote is a shrewd, passionate, fearless. Gospels must be, and full of a faith, this for the Los Angeles Times.

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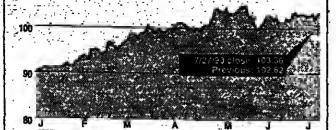
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The New Yorker's Changes Seem to Win Readership

By Michael Janofsky

New York Times Service

EW YORK — One might reasonably contend that The New Yorker magazine's cover illustration for the week of Valentine's Day, showing a black woman and a Hasidic man kissing was a little provocative. Or that the cover of the July 26 issue, showing an Arab boy at the beach jumping on sand figures shaped like the World Trade Center and other Manhattan wildings much bear appropriately and the cover of the proposition of the cover of the July 26 issues shaped like the World Trade Center and other Manhattan wildings much bear appropriately a content and cover of the cover of other Manhattan buildings, might have perpetuated a stereotype. But the results of a new survey Tina Brown has made since she became editor in chief of the

magazine — a broader variety of articles, new uses of color, pho-tographs and graphics, as well as the controversial covers — have The magazine's been well received.

In its 30th annual study of and more affluent.

magazine audiences, covering the 12 months ended in June, the Simmons Market Research Bureau found that The New Yorker had

increased its readership — the number of people who read an issue of the magazine — by 13 percent, to more than 2.8 million. Ms. Brown succeeded Robert Gottlieb as editor in September 1992, so she was in charge for nine months of the survey period.

More important to a magazine straining to achieve profitability, even with its rich history of fine writing and clever cartoons, was the

finding that the median household income of The New Yorker's readers had also risea, by 12.5 percent, to \$61,515. No other general-interest or specialty magazine in the survey approached that level of growth in both categories. The Simmons survey also determined that the average reader of The New Yorker during the period was 46.1 years of age, compared with 47.7 in the prior 12 months.

There have been a few other reports hinting at the same conclusion. The Audit Bureau of Circulations found that paid circulation

had grown 5.1 percent in the second half of 1992, compared with a year earlier, to 658,916. And the Publishers Information Base found that The New Yorker had increased its advertising pages 16.9 percent in the first six months of this year.

Steven T. Florio, president and chief executive of the magazine,

says The New Yorker is currently more than 200 advertising pages ahead of last year's schedule. And three weeks ago, for the first time under Ms. Brown, the magazine raised its rate base — the number of copies the magazine guarantees advertisers that it will sell — to 650,000 from 600,000.

Traditionally, New Yorker advertisers have been companies associated with the kinds of upscale goods and services that interest wealther readers. Mr. Florio said he expected the magazine to attract even more of those advertisers now.

Germany **Unfazed By Prices**

Compiled by Our Staff From Desputches FRANKFURT — Inflation in Western Germany was at a threemonth high in July, according to provisional data released Tuesday, but most of the price pressures came from government charges and the report would not make it impossible for the Bundesbank to reduce interest rates, economists said.

The Federal Statistics Office said provisional cost-of-living data for July showed a rise of 0.1 percent from June and 4.3 percent from a year ago. The monthly rise in June was 0.2 percent and the annual increase was 4.2 percent.

"In view of various burdens on July data, particularly higher insu-rance tax and postal charges, this is not a bad figure," said Ulrich Beck-mann, a Deutsche Bank economist.

Analysts said the annual figure for July was lower than many had forecast and was unlikely to block a Bundesbank rate cut. Many economists have predicted a modest rate reduction would be decided at the Bundesbank council meeting on Thursday to try to ease tensions in the European Monetary System's exchange-rate mechanism.

While the inflation news from Germany calmed currency markets on Tuesday, few observers said they expected the Bundesbank to cut rates deeply enough to end the recent foreign-exchange turmoil. Analysts said the Bundesbank was likely to trim its discount or Lombard rates, the respective floor and ceiling of the German money market, by half a percentage point on Thursday at its last council meeting before a one-month recess.

But economists said the Bundesbank would have to cut the discount rate by one percentage point — unlikely given its communent to fighting inflation — to stop speculation. The German rate cut we expect

will not be enough to calm the markets," said Sophie Docclo of Générale de Banque of Belgium. The problem is that speculators

know other European countries will not be able to bring their rates down fast enough to boost economic growth and think they may be tempted to break free of the

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Enimont's Evil Alchemy Firm Left Trail of Bribery and Death

By Alan Cowell
New York Times Service

ROME — They died in different ways, but when two of Italy's best-known businessmen were found dead last week, apparently after each committed suicide, the trail that joined them led to an unusual joint venture called Enimont that may well have been the greatest of scams, a tale of fraud that could make Italy's vast and still unraveling political corruption scandal seem modest by comparison.

Whoever touches Enimoni dies," remarked Emilio Molinari, a legislator from the Green Party. One of the victims, Gabriele Cagliari, who was found dead in his jail cell early last week, was chief of the Italian government's giant energy combine, Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi, which helped create Enimont and eventually took control of it in a series of stock purchases that may have generated hundreds of millions of dollars in kickbacks.

Investigators are focusing now on how Enimont, a huge chemicals concern, was linked to the na-tion's former ruling parties. These parties, the Christian Democrats and the Socialists, used government-owned companies like EN1 as sources of

Then there was the death Friday of Raul Gardini, yachtsman and corporate raider, who headed lialy's second-largest private company, Ferruzzi-Monte dison, which owned the other part of Emmont. Mr. Gardini put a gun to his head after looking at morning newspapers that carried banner headlines on what a former hemenant of his, Giuseppe Garofano, was telling police about Enimont.

What especially interests investigators now is the short-fived history of Enimont in the late 80s. By one estimate. Enimont's creation and sale may have generated as much as \$280 million in kickbacks and bribes.

The story is part of a broad corruption scandal that has overshadowed almost all else in the nation for the last 18 months.

Enimont's rise and fall remains one of the great mysteries of Italian corporate life - and one that has assumed sinister overtones. Four men closely involved in Enimont have died prematurely.

Besides the two succides, a top government offi-cial, Franco Figs, who was involved when Enimont was sold back to the government in a highly hucrative and questionable transaction, died of a heart attack two years ago. Another official who oversaw Enimont, Sergio Castellari, was found dead earlier this year in a field on the outskirts of Rome. Police think he may have been murdered.

The Enimont affair began on Dec. 15, 1988, with a letter of intent setting out the basics of the merger: ENI and Ferruzzi-Montedison would both hold 40 percent of the new company and 20 percent would be sold to the public on the Milan Stock Exchange. Enimont went out of business on Nov. 21, 1991

when ENI offered Montedison the equivalent of \$2.8 billion for its stake.

From the start, there were suggestions of corrup-tion as the state-owned part of Enimont had much

newer and more efficient plants than Montedison. Nonetheless, the two partners received stakes of equal value, which, some financial commentators believe, amounted to a gift of about \$1.5 billion to Montedison that may have involved kickbacks.

Much of the story relates to Mr. Gardini's desire to dominate an industry that would take him far beyond the confines of Ferruzzi's base in Ravenna. Friends of his had acquired 11 percent of Enimont's stock on the market, which with the 40 percent Mr.

Ferruzzi's foreign creditor banks gave the troubled company a reprieve. Page 11.

Gardini controlled, gave him the power to try to remold Enimont into an efficient company capable of competing worldwide.

At that point, Mr. Gardini, by his own account, came increasingly into conflict with an Italian system known as lottizatione, or the dividing up among political parties of patronage and illicit earnings from the government-owned companies. In March 1990, when Mr. Gardini announced plans for a S7 billion recapitalization of Enimont.

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he said that if ENI did not like the plans. Montedison would buy the entire stock offering.

Both ENI and the poblicians bitterly protested. and ENI finally offered to buy Montedison's share for a sum that many financial analysts said was overvalued as much as 30 percent.

Behind the maneuvers was a story of corruption on an enormous scale whereby the leading parties, the Christian Democrats and the Socialists, scraped off millions in hribes to allow the government to buy back Enimont from Mr. Gardini's control.

First, investigators said, there was the method of ENI's repurchase of Enimont stock. According Mr. Cagliari. ENT's chairman, in an interview with investigating magistrates shortly before his death, the energy conglomerate wanted to finance the deal with a swap of ENI stock for Enimont stock.

But, Mr. Cagliari said, the Christian Democratic cabinet minister for state shareholdings, Mr. Piga, told him that Montedison wanted cash and had said it was prepared to pay the two hig parties \$10 million to bring pressure on ENI to circulate a tender offer for the outstanding stock. Shortly thereafter, Mr. Piga died.

The story might have gone no further if Mr. Garofano, the former chairman of Mootedison who fled the country in February, had not been arrested by Swiss police on July 13 and extradited

Pearson Sheds Units to Focus More on Media

By Erik Ipsen International Herald Tribune

LONDON - Casting aside its long tradition as a consummate industrial conglomerate, Pearson PLC said Tuesday that it would spin off its fine-china and oil-service businesses and concentrate on television and other media interests, including the Financial Times and Penguin Books.

"It is a hig day for Pearson," said Lord Blakenham, the company especially into television, was currently frustrated by British laws on company would spin off its Royal Doulton china operation - a world leader - to its shareholders, and sell the majority of its oil-ser-vice business, Camoo, via a public share offer in the United States.

Pearson, whose extensive media holdings also include half of The Economist, found its announcement somewhat oversbadowed. however, by a defeat in Asia.

The company had been in negotiations to buy a large stake in the Hong Kong-based satellite televi-sion company STAR-TV. On Monday, Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. slid past Pearson, announcing that it would pay \$525 million for control of STAR, which reaches 38 Asian countries and claims 45 million viewers.

"It would have been a far bigger and better day for Pearson if they had been able to announce that deal," said Bridget Gander, an analyst with Daiwa Securities.

Indeed, although spurned by STAR-TV, Pearson considers Asia a key area for future growth, Lord Blakenham said.

While the market greeted the news of Pearson's oew focus posi-rively, pushing its shares up 6.2 percent to £4.64 (\$6.96) on Tuesday, many observers expressed regret for what could have been. "It is a step forward for them to cast off two capital-intensive husinesses that have been lackluster performers," said Vignesb Padiachy, an an-alyst at Barclays de Zoete Wedd. "The STAR deal would have made it two steps forward."

Royal Doulton and Camco represented 30 percent of Pearson's £1.6 hillion revenue last year, but

accounted for just 7 perceot of its operating profit.

Louise Barton, an analyst at Henderson Crosthwaite, said she estimated Cameo to be worth about £400 million and Royal Doulton to be worth about £135 million. That was assuming nil debt for both companies, bowever.

Analysts said that Pearson's stated desire to plow the proceeds of the sale of Camco into media, and rently frustrated by British laws on cross-shareholdings in media companies that bar Pearson from expanding its television interests in its borne market.

"Since they cannot invest more in the U.K., they have got to move overseas into such favored growth areas as Asia and there they have now missed their opportunity," said Nigel Utley, an analyst at No-mura Research Institute.

Observers were also surprised with the loss of STAR to Mr. Murdoch given that Pearson owns a large stake in one of the world's premier purveyors of acquisition advice, Lazard Brothers. Pearson also enjoyed a presumed edge in that it had a long relationship with STAR's owner, Li Ka-shing. In the mid-1980s Mr. Li bad bought a significant shareholding in Pearson, a stake he ultimately sold to Mr. Murdoch.

Asked to comment on STAR, Lord Blakenham said at a news conference that "we would have shown an interest in a transaction that had terms that we found acceptable." Privately, Pearson executives insisted that they had been offered the same deal as Mr. Murdoch, but had turned it down because Mr. Li was unwilling to guar-antee that he would stick with STAR after having sold off 66 percent of the company. With little experience in Asia, Pearson reportedly balked at the possibility of

going it alone.

Such caution is typical of Pearson, a company widely known in the City of London financial district as a patrician coocern with such a superb stable of brand

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Air France Sets Pact With Continental

Compiled by Our Stoff From Disparches HOUSTON - In the latest global airline link-up, Continental Airlines and Air France signed a strategic alliance Tuesday that is intended to boost passenger traffic

for both carriers. Continental and Air France will coordinate schedules, ticketing, frequent-flyer programs and bag-gage handling on both sides of the

"We will coordinate schedules in such a way to permit passengers to connect from Continental's system to Air France's system scamlessly, and vice versa," Robert Ferguson, president of Continental, said in a oint news conference with Bernard Attali, chairman of state-owned

The executives said the agreement did not include equity investments and would not require U.S. government approval.

The agreement resembles but does not go as far as similar pacts formed between USAir and British Airways and Northwest Airlines and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines. Unlike those agreements, the alli-ance between Continental and Air France does not include code sharing, which allows connecting flights between carriers to appear as a single flight on computerized reserva-tion systems. The U.S. Department of Transportation must approve any code-sharing agreement in-

volving a foreign carrier.

Charles De Gaulle Airport, Air France's hub, from Orly Airport. Air France, which has long operated a terminal next to Continental in Houston, will move its Newark operation to Continental's terminal.

The link is strategically sound for both carriers, said Raymond E. Neidl, airline analyst for Furman Selz Inc. While Continental has a "good domestic system and pretty good routes to Asia," he said, "its trans-Atlantic system is thin, so this will vastly expand their ability to funnel passengers across the At-

For Air France, he added, Continental offers an excellent hub at Newark International Airport just outside New York City and other hubs across the the United States. Without such a partnership, he said, Air France "might find itself out in the cold in the U.S.

Separately, in Paris, Transport finister Bernard Bosson said that Air France would soon receive a third restructuring package, after the state's first two attempts to help its flag carrier proved "insuffi-

Mr. Bosson said more assistance was needed, "not because there was an error of strategy" in the earlier try's economic situation "continues to deteriorate year after year."
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Trade Ruling Slams Steelmaker Stocks

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK -Stocks of American steel companies were punished by a largely adverse trade ruling from the U.S. government on Tues-day, and technology issues weak-ened despite strength in IBM.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 2.24 points, at 3.565.46,

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while declining issues oumumbered advancers on the New York Stock Exchange by a 9-to-7 ratio.

Steel stocks plunged after the International Trade Commission, a U.S. agency, overturned some penaloes against foreign steel producers. The ITC cleared Japan and France of most charges of dumping. or selling at below-market prices, in the United States. As a result, recent American steel-price iocreases might be rolled back, traders said.

Eugene Peroni, director of technical research at Janney Montgomery Scott, said the bashing of the steel sector was having a negative psychological impact on the market. "A lot of the prospects for revival of the economy are built on industrial re-covery," he said. "If the steel group comes under pressure, it puts a question mark on growth.

Consumers already had some questions. The Conference Board, a private research organizacion, found consumer confidence at at

10-month low in July. Amid the gloom, IBM stood our as the most-active New York Stock Exchange issue, rising 31/4 to 45%,

despite what might have seemed to be a horrendous set of announcements. The company said it had an S8 hillion second-quarter loss and was planning 35,000 layoffs and a divideod cut, but this was actually coosidered good news by a market

Elsewhere in the technology sec-tor, the news was had. Novell, the

Other computer-software and networking stocks fell. Microsoft fell 2% in 75%, Intel dropped % in 53, and, on the New York exchange.

dropped 3% to 15, USX'S U.S. Steel shares were down 4% at 32 and Wheeling Pittsburgh lost 2% to 12.

Echo Bay Mining was the most-active American Stock Exchange issue up % at 13 despite a \$1.90 fall un August gold on the Commodity Exchange where it closed at Exchange, where it closed at

Intermagnetics was second, up 54 to 20%. The company recently said it would supply refrigerant to Chrysler Corp. for use in its auto-

that had feared even worse.

most-active over-the-counter issue, slumped 2% to 18%. The provider of computer-octworking software said income in the third quarter ending July 31 would fall below second-quarter earnings of 26 cents a share and revenue would not grow from the year-ago level because of weak European sales.

Cray Research tumbled 41/4 to 23 as investors reacted to disappointing arnings released Monday.

Integrated seel companies were visible among the Big Board acoves. with heavy falls. Bethlethem Steel dropped 34 to 15, USX's U.S. Steel dropped 34 to 15, USX's U.S. Steel

\$391.20 an ounce.

mobile air condicioners. (Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg, UPI)

BUNDESBANK: Prices Calm

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ERM constraints, especially under

market pressure. The French economy is much weaker than during franc crises in September and January and cannot sustain the high interest rates occided to defend the currency for long. Yet a devaluation is likely to scuttle plans for a currency union in the

If the mark/franc link is broken, the EMS in its present form is

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dead and so is what is left of the credibility of the Maastricht Treaty as regards monetary affairs," econ-omists at Banque Indosuez said in a weekly market comment.

Even the small rate cut expected Thursday was said to have a price. There were reports the Bundesbank swapped a pledge to cut rates for a promise that other central banks would support the mark against the to its recent gains. The dollar fell to promise that other central banks said there were reports that central banks have been selling U.S. bonds to raise dollars to buy marks. One currency dealer described

the rumored deal; "The Bundesbank will cut rates, and the dollar would logically rally, but the Bundesbank would not have to fight it alone, which could well be a losing proposition, but all the central banks would join in to restrain the dollar." He said this included

the Federal Reserve Board. lo New York trading, the dollar rose to 1.7270 Deutsche marks from 1.7245 Monday. Much of its strength was attributed to a sell-off in the pound, which was sparked by an order in late European trading to sell \$2.5 billioo-worth of sterling for dollars. This encouraged sales of the pound, which fell against all the major currencies. It was trading at \$1.4890 in New York, down from \$1.5005

Io the ERM, the Danish krone was under pressure against the Dutch guilder. The guilder rose to 3.4624 kroner, its ERM ceiling, after intervention hours ended in Europe.

106.040 yen from 106.700. But the dollar rose to 1.5205 Swiss francs from 1.5197 and to 5.8960 French francs from 5.8875. (Reuters, Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg)

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Chrysler Targets Bottlenecks

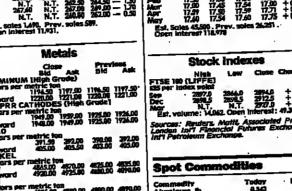
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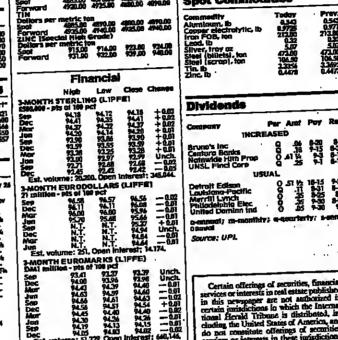
WARREN, Michigan — Chrysler Corp. President Robert Lutz said Tuesday the company was investing \$100 million this year to increase capacity by reducing production bottlenecks.

Mr. Lutz said the company had added capacity of 980 vehicles a day in the past 18 to 24 months. "That's an equivalent of an assembly plant by just using bottleoeck-hreaking investments," he said.

made the comments as the new 1994 model Dodge Ram full-size pickup was introduced, the company's first large pickup model in 22 years, which cost \$1.2 billion. It will go on sale in October at a starting price of \$11,824.

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Brazil Unit Boosts Goodyear Results AKRON, Ohio (AP) - Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. said Tuesday its second-quarter earnings had increased sharply over the similar quarter a year ago, despite a drop in revenue. It credited improved operating

margins in Brazil for much of the improvement.

The tiremaker reported second-quarter net income of \$137.6 million, or 75 cents, a year 95 cents per share, up 29 percent from \$106.9 million, or 75 cents, a year earlier. Sales, however, fell to \$3.0 billion from \$3.1 billion, reflecting asset disposale. margins in Brazil for much of the improvement. carner. Sales, however, 181 to \$3.0 billion from \$3.1 billion, reflecting asset disposals. Continuing operations showed a 1.5 percent sales increase.

The company credited much of the earnings growth to operations in Brazil, where price increases and changes led to higher profit margins.

U.S. Consumers See Gloom Ahead

NEW YORK (UPI) — With unemployment rising, consumer confidence in the U.S. economy tumbled to its lowest level in 10 months during July, while expectations for the next six months proved the gloomiest in 1.5 years, the Conference Board said Tuesday.

The private business-research organization's Consumer Confidence The private business-research organization's Consumer Confidence I lodex, which uses 1985 as a base of 100, slipped to 57.7 in July from a revised 58.6 in June. July's drop drove the index to its lowest level since a 54.6 reading in October 1992.

The board's measure of consumer expectations for the next six months tumbled to 65.4 from 69.

An Old-Line Squeeze at Data General

WESTBORO, Massachusetts (AP) — Data General Cosp. said Tuesday it had a loss of \$16.4 million in its most recent quarter, as its sagging, and line day it had a loss of \$16.4 million in its most recent quarter, as its sagging, old-line computer business overwhelmed growth from newer products.

The loss for the company's third financial quarter, which ended June 26, was wider than the \$11.7 million deficit a year earlier. Sales fell to 25.24 million from 259.2 million. The company was hurt by the weak worldwide economy, particularly in Europe, plus pricing pressures that have squeezed profits across the computer industry.

Unlike its declining operations in proprietary minicomputers, the company said its open-systems segment was growing.

Carlyle to Buy Philips Defense Unit NEW YORK (UPI) — Philips Electronics North America Corp. said
Tuesday it had agreed to sell its Magnavox Electronic Systems Co. to
Carlyle Group and company managers for an undisclosed sum.
Magnavox Electronic Systems is a major supplier to the Defense
Magnavox Electronic Systems is a major supplier to the Defense
Department and the civilian industrial-electronics marketplace. The
company has 4,000 employees and sales of more than \$400 million.

Debt Retirement Hits Tenneco

HOUSTON (AP) - Tenneco Inc. reported Tuesday its second-quarter HOUSTON (AP) — Tenneco Inc. reported Tuesday its second-quarter carnings fell 28.5 percent from a year ago, partly due to a charge for early debt retirement. Income from continuing operations nearly doubled.

The diversified company with interests in farm equipment, automotive parts and gas pipelines earned \$88 million, or 50 cents per share, in the three months ended June 30, down from \$123 million, or 84 cents per share, last year. But income from continuing operations rose to \$111 million from \$50 million in 1992. Revenue rose to \$3.48 billion from \$3.44 billion.

LTV Says Favorable Ruling Upheld

CLEVELAND (Combined Dispatches) — LTV Corp. said Tuesday that a federal appeals court upheld an antitrust ruling in its favor against a former USX Corp. subsidiary, Bessemer & Lake Eric Railroad Co., that LTV said was worth about \$487 million.

USX said its former subsidiary would ask the U.S. Supreme Court to review USX said it had taken an after-tax charge of \$403 million in the

second quarter as a reserve against the unfavorable ruling.

Separately, USX said its U.S. Steel Group had a loss of \$340 million, or Separatery, USA said its U.S. Steet thought had a share, in the second quarter, and its USX-Marathon Group had \$5.66 a share, in the second quarter, and its USX-Marathon Group had net income of \$21 million, or 7 cents a share, down from \$181 63 cents a share, the provious year. (Reuters, Knight-Ridder, Bloomberg)

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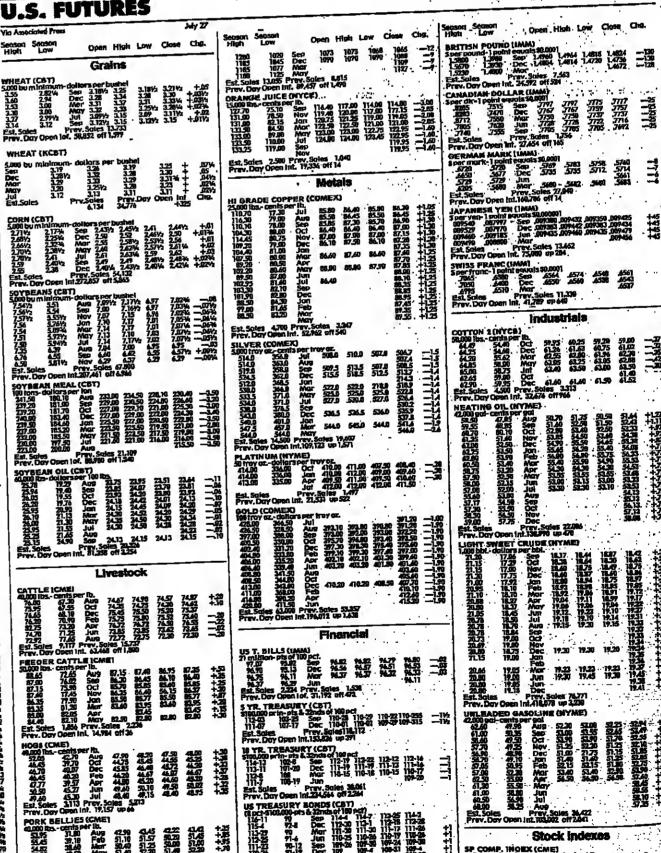
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Banks Give **Ferruzzi** A Respite On Debts

Compiled by Our Staff From Diss MILAN — The Ferrizzi Group's foreign creditor banks said Tuesday What they had agreed to keep credit.
incs to Ferruzzi open and not to

declare the group in default.

The statement followed a meeting at the Bank of Italy between the forcign banks and Italian creditor banks headed by Mediobanca SpA.

The foreign banks, which account for 14 percent, or 6.5 million line (\$4.3 billion), of Ferruzz's debts, said they had been informed about the restructuring plan for Ferruzzi being prepared by Mediobanca, and which will be ready by the end of August.

Between them, the Italian and foreign banks, that met at Mediobanca.

banca account for 90 percent of the group's debts, which total 31 tril-

"We have been asked to wait until the end of August, until the amuel meeting of Ferruzzi fonanziaria SpA, the holding company, said Guido Rosa, president of the association of foreign banks in Italy. Mr. Rosa welcomed "the mood. of cooperation" at the meeting, but warned: "This mood of cooperation does not mean that the foreign banks have any wish to lose their

The delay in the salvage plan, originally due at the end of July, was due to "the change in manage ment at Ferruzzi," he noted.

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The bankers last month appointed the industrial chemist Enrico Bondi and Guido Rossi, former chairman of the bourse watchdog, known as Consob, to run the group. Consob earlier this month pressed false reporting charges against Ferruzzi after it announced

extra losses of 320 billion lire and had to restate its 1992 accounts. Those charges, together with Jother corruption-related items, led to Friday's arrest of the former Ferrizzi managing director, Carlo . Sama. Hours before, the former chairman of the Ferruzzi group had committed suicide amid growing

(AFX, AFP)

Although quarterly revenue decined by 4.3 percent from last year in a soft market worldwide, IBM's was to win the war for customers'

bottom-line losses in the last quar-

allegations of corruption.

first to increase market share.

The company said the latest cuts would be "weighted toward positions outside the United States."

Officials explained that although they had originally planned this

year's staff cuts to be more or less

They declined to be specific about

operations in any country, but if was clear that if too few employees quit, enough would be laid off to meet staffing targets, although both would be eligible for the same kind of severance package.

Mr. Gesstner defended his turn-

around strategy at a press confereace which departed in several par-ticulars from the more close-

mouthed IBM style of Mr. Akers, who preferred to speak to Wall Street analysis in private.

Instead of sitting behind a table flanked by several corporate colleges, Mr. Gerstner stood alone

on a platform with a single, black

Fames chair and an IBM logo behind him and fielded questions by himself, implying that although be might be continuing some of his

TOP FUNDS

VW Lashes Back at Opel Piëch Sees a Campaign to 'Ruin' Firm

FRANKFURT - Volkswagen AG on Tuesday called a surprise news conference for Wednesday as Adam Opel AG, the German unit of General Motors Corp. and VW's opponent in a bitter dispute over industrial-espionage claims, put on

the pressure for a quick solution.

Meanwhile, Ferdinand Piech, Volkswagen's management board chairman, said in an interview

with Stern magazine that an international campaign was being waged "to rain VW."

This is a mud-slinging contest," he said. "And
if we're attacked with mud, we have to defend

ourselves in the same way."

He also suggested that disputed materials at the base of the espionage claims may have been tampered with before investigators saw them. "The stuff was not confiscated from our employees but was possibly accessible to our opponents for some time and was then delivered to the police," he said.

Volkswagen said that Mr. Piech would speak at the scheduled news conference at its headquarters in Wolfsburg about the conflict over his belea-guered production chief, José Ignacio López de Arriortus, who left GM for VW in March.

Mr. Piech was quoted in Stern as saying that, if

certainly have very serious consequences for me. But it will not happen."
Otto-Ferdinand Wachs, a spokesman for Volks-

Mr. López had to quit Volkswagen after being found guilty of industrial esplonage, "It would

wagen, said the company wanted to take a more aggressive stance over the spying accusations from Opel. "Opel keeps pushing its point day after day, Mr. Wachs said.

Opel itself said it wanted a speedy end to the dispute, which started with a legal wrangle over Volkswagen's hiring policies but soon widened to take in accusations of document theft by Mr. Lopez and other former GM staff.

A spokesman for Opel said the company had written to public prosecutors in Hamburg to bring their attention to what he called big differences in testimony from GM and Volkswagen officials at a Hamburg court hearing in mid-July.

"This will clarify quicker than the Darmstadt case who is correct," the spokesman said. The public prosecutors office in Darmstadt is investigating a separate criminal complaint initiated by GM alleging document theft.

(Reuters, AFP, Bloomberg, AP)

STEEL: U.S. Rejects Duties on Bulk of Steel Imports

tariffs. In the final votes on Tues-

European producers have long

rejected the American industry's

claims. They argued that they have

win U.S. sales because of higher quality, more reliable deliveries and the offering of products not

made by U.S. producers. Those ar-

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tries. One common theme was that imported steel did not hold large enough shares of the American market to be responsible for the troubles of the domestic industry, which suffered a pre-tax loss of \$1.3 billion last year.

The American industry lost 40 decisions and won only 32. Steel company stocks plunged in heavy trading after the rulings, which American steel officials vowed to

appeal in court.

But the appeals process for such trade disputes typically takes at least a year. Steel executives threatened to seek new tariffs against foreign countries that try to take advantage of Tuesday's decisions

by stepping up shipments.

Curtis Barnette, the chairman and chief executive of Bethlehem Steel, said the industry would also consider seeking legislation from

Tuesday's decision represented a potential boon for trade negotia-tors seeking a new global free trade agreement. Prime Minister

The anti-dumping and subsidy complaint was a brazen attempt by the U.S. industry to boost profits by closing off the American market **IBM:** Big Blue Slashes More Jobs to most steel imports, he said. "It's absolutely clear, they lost," he said. The U.S. commission rejected Continued from Page 1 predecessor's strategy, he would announced by a number of large and even profitable companies, Thes he opened by trying to resuch as Proter & Gambie Co., fute his critics. "The last thing the General Electric Co. and American Company needs is a vision," Mr. Telephone & Telegraph Corp., to Gerstner and "It needs a series of tough-minded, market driven stratter than using their resources what we're working on."

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industry association.

duties on all affected imports of hot-rolled steel, which totaled \$904 million last year, and most of the \$742 million in imports of coldrolled steel

It upheld duties on a majority of corrosion-resistant steel imports, however. Hardest hit were Japa-nese makers, which shipped \$491 million of such products to the United States last year but now face anti-dumping duties of 40 per-

ter were limited by the employment cuts of the previous chairman, John E. Akers, from IBM's 1986 high of 1860,000 to a projected 255,000 at the end of 1994.

The latest court of Francisca data. The EC Commission said it served its right to fight the remain-ing duties through the GATT pro-cess. That would involve an Ecus of debt as part of a restructurthe end of this year and 225,000 at the end of 1994.

The latest cost of simming down was charged off to this quarter at \$8 billion after taxes — \$2 billion because about 50,000 capployees, or twice as many as expected, accepted buyouts this year and left company, \$4 billion for the additional 35,000 Mr. Gristner announced, and the rest for closing manufacturing plants and relinquishing leased office space.

The company said the latest cuts

Mr. Gerstner did not deny that attempt at conciliation with the ing.

Edouard Balladur of France had United States and then, barring threatened to block the process if agreement, the setting up of an in-the United States did not cancel the dependent panel to rule on the du-

day, tariffs were canceled on four out of five types of steel that France ships to the United States. Mr. von Hülsen said European industry also would fight the remaining duties but felt broadly vindicated. "We recognize, even if we are not completely satisfied with Tom Buerkle of the International Herald Tribune reported from Brusposing preliminary duties last month, he said.

> Separately, the EC Commission was expected to give its approval on Wednesday to a plan that would use Community loans to help private-sector steelmakers finance

publicity blitz designed to sway the ITC commissioners. The financing is an important element of the Community's effort to agree on a reduction of its huge ure of the U.S. steel industry," said excess steel capacity by the end of September. The plan aims to cut crude steel capacity by at least 30 million tons, or some 18 percent of last year's production of 170 million tons.

> The cost of plant closures alone expected to reach as high as 3 billion European currency units (\$3.4 billion). The plan also will require layoffs of 60,000 to 70,000 of the industry's oearly 400,000 workers, which is expected to cost another 3 billion to 4 billion Ecus.

Private industry is refusing to discuss its closure plans, however, until the commission wins big cuts in subsidies and capacity at stateowned steelmakers in Italy, Spain and the former East Germany.

Competition Commissioner Karel van Miert met here Tuesday with Foreign Minister Benjamin Andreatta to press his demand to

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Mr. Gerstner did not deny that morale problems existed at IBM.

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and of this process," he said. "We have lost some good people. It would be crazy for me to deny it. But when the company gets profit-

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Deutsche Bank **Profit Up 12.6%** In First Half

FRANKFURT - Deutsche Bank AG, Germany's largest com-mercial bank, said Tuesday its firsthalf operating profit rose 12.6 percent from a year ago, to 2.56 billion Deutsche marks (\$1.49 billion).

Hilmar Kopper, the bank's chairman, said he expected the bank to achieve profit levels this year similar to last year. The bank reported in April that group operating profit rose 7 percent, to 6.39 billion DM, in 1992.

The new data are based on a comparison with half the previous year's results, the traditional reporting method of most German banks. The earnings figures reflect

changes in European Community bank accounting procedures introduced this year, Deutsche Bank said in its interim report. The EC rules, designed to standardize financial reporting of banks in the Community, stipulate that banks release details of risk provisions against questionable debts.

These provisions, revealed by the bank for the first time at the sixmonth stage, rose to 1.38 billion DM from 955 million DM at the same point a year ago.

Net interest income for the group advanced 7.4 percent, to 5.85 billion DM in the reporting period. the result, that the ITC has rejected billion DM in the reporting period. the arbitrary calculations" made by the group's lending margin was the Commerce Department in imthe same as a year ago.

the first six months. The bank at-

BMW's Profit And Stock Fall

Computed by Our Staff From Dispatches MUNICH - Bayerische Motoren Werke AG reported Tuesday a sharper-than-ex-pected decline in first-balf carnings, depressing shares of the maker of luxury cars on the Frankfurt stock exchange.

Reflecting the sluggish state of the German car market, BMW said its group net profit had fallen 39 percent to 255 milioo Deutsche marks (\$147.6 million), from 421 million DM a year earlier. Analysts had expected a drop of 20 percent to 30 percent. Its shares fell 16.50 DM to 562 DM. (AFX, Reuters)

tributed the rise to a good performance in securities trading. Profit from trading on its own

account rose 42.4 percent in the first half, to 808 million DM. The largest part of trading profit came from bond dealing, while foreignexchange and precious-metals trad-ing also improved, the bank said. Total assets jumped 6.2 percent to 529.3 billion DM at the end of

June, compared with the end of the Commission income increased year, largely due to higher securi-12.9 percent to 2.61 billion DM in ties and money market holdings. (Bloomberg, AFX)

PEARSON: Focusing on Media

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names that it has, in the words of one analyst, "never worked that hard." Opinion is divided, though, between those who see Pearson management as excessively laid back and those who characterize it as taking a long-term view.

Ironically, it was Rupert Murdock who gave Pearson shares their biggest lift in recent years. In the 20 percent stake in Pearson that sent the shares soaring on the hopes that he would break the company up. Ultimately, Mr. Murdoch hit hard times and was forced to sell off his stake in order to raise cash.

Pearson's decision to get rid of Royal Doulton and Camco was widely cheered. "Everyone agrees that global media is a growth area Lazards," said Nomura's Mr. Utley.

and that fine china is oot, and that the oil-service business is very volatile," said Lorna Tilbian, an analyst with Warburg Securities.

Eager to stanch speculation on

future asset sales, Lord Blakenham carefully defined "media" as "a broad parish" on Tuesday. He noted that his company's Madame Tussaud's wax museum and Britain's top tourist attraction, the Allate 1980s, Mr. Murdoch built up a ton Towers theme park, were not on the block. In addition, Pearson's holding in

Lazards, which clearly falls outside even the broadest definition of media, is also oot for sale, Lord Bla-

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Investor's Europe

Very briefly:

TransManche Link, the consortium building the Channel Tunnel, will hand the facility over to the operator, Eurotunnel SA, on Dec. 10, allowing freight service to begin in March and passenger service to April; the cost dispute between the two parties remains unresolved.

• Stateil A/S said first-half profit had risen 5.6 percent, to 1.9 billion kroner (\$258.6 million), but the Norwegian state-owned oil company said it expected poorer results in the second half, reflecting weak petroleum

• Daimler-Benz AG is to have its American depository receipts listed oo the New York Stock Exchange on Oct. 5, becoming the first German company to trade on a U.S. market.

Wikttembergische Versicherungsgruppe, a German transport insurer, will buy Elektra Versicherungs AG, an electronics insurer, from Telenorma GmbH, a subsidiary of Robert Bosch GmbH; the price was oot

• The Bundesbank will sell a new government bond to banks next week; terms will be set with banks, but analysts said the issue would likely he for

8 billion to 10 billion Deutsche marks (\$4.63 billion to \$5.79 billion). • Renters Holdings PLC said pretax profit rose 14.5 percent, to £214.7 million (\$322.2 million) in the first half as sales increased; conditions were strong in the Americas and improving in Britain, said the oews and

• The European Community is doing a feasibility study in western Siberia on rehabilitating oil fields in a \$1 billion project to be funded by the

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Tuesday's Prices

NASDAO prices as of 4 p.m., New York time.
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TRADE: Beijing, Going Back to Old Ways, Commands Exports to Surge

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and the stock market has grown into a "wish list" of sweeping structural change.

To try to solve the immediate crisis of inflation that reached an annual rate of 20.6 percent in the country's largest cities in June and has created a state of simmering unrest throughout the countryside, Beijing tightened credit and targeted numerous areas of the economy for massive change.

At stake is bow China - ruled by a Commu nist Party that must accommodate itself to strong new forces for change such as consumerism, the free market and foreign investment will be run in the future.

"We are still in transition from the old planned economy to the market economy, China's vice president and leading capitalist, Rong Yiren, told a visiting group of Australian

We have to adapt our legal and administra-

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tive systems to speed up reform and strengthen macroeconomic control," said Mr. Rong, who before he became vice president this year was the chairman of China International Trust & Investment Corp.

Judging by comments from Mr. Rong and other senior leaders, China intends to:

· Rebuild its banking and monetary system while eventually making its currency, the yuan, fully convertible.

Thoroughly restructure its taxation and revenue-collection apparatus.

· Redouble efforts to invest in badly needed infrastructure, particularly in transport, telecommunications and energy production.

 Clear up its ailing state-owned industries and its system of heavy subsidization that exacerbates China's budget deficits.

• Improve the living conditions of 900 million peasants kept in poverty while corrupt local officials, as well as Chinese fortunate enough to be living in coastal and urban areas. receive most of the benefits of economic growth and reforms.

Speed the growth of its domestic capital

 Encourage still more foreign investment,
 which had grown to total \$58.7 billion by the middle of this year.

 Crack down on government and Commu-nist Party corruption, which, according to a recent Hong Kong government survey, now consumes about 5 percent of the annual turnover of foreign businesses operating in China.

High-level inspection teams led by senior government officials including Mr. Zhu himself have fanned out across China to bring provinces that had been granted greater economic autonomy quickly into line with Beijing's ideas.

At this point, the worst of the economic problems are "still manageable," said Bob

problems are "still manageable," said Bob Broadfoot of Political & Economic Risk Con-

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U.S. to Seek Anti-Bribery Treaty Firms' Complaints May Give 1970s Idea a New Life

By Michael Richardson

ional Herold Tribunt SINGAPORE — The United States will seek to negotiate an international agreement banning the use of bribery in business dealings, Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Tuesday.

His statement followed complaints by American companies in Asia that they werelosing business because a U.S. law, the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act of 1977, makes it a criminal offense for American companies to pay bribes but does nothing to deter their competitors from dealing under the table. Mr. Christopher said the administration

considered by the government of President Known as the International Bribery Statnte, it would make business bribery a crime by international agreement, either through a series of bilateral treaties or in a multilateral

would revive a draft statute that was first

treaty through the United Nations.

Mr. Christopher told a meeting of American businessmen and investors that having heard their complaints, the administration would "dust off" the stame and "see if we

can't promote it." American businessmen welcomed the idea but expressed doubt that it would find much support in nations whose companies benefited from the current uneven playing field. In recent years, as the economies of East Asia have boomed, American companies

ment and private-sector contracts because of hnibery on the part of their competitors. In a panel discussion with Mr. Christopher on Tuesday, Fritz Taylor, vice chairman for

SYDNEY - Analysts said Tuesday that Ru-

pert Murdoch scored a coup in buying control of STAR-TV, the Asian satellite broadcaster, and

investors apparently agreed as they bid up stock in the tycoon's News Corp. by 3.2 percent. News Corp., of which Mr. Murdoch owns 43

percent, rose to 8.32 Australian dollars (\$5.65)

in Australian trading, up from 8.06 on Monday. Later in New York, its American depositary

receipts were trading at \$46.375, up \$1.375.

Each ADR represents eight common shares, so the New York price was equivalent to about

8.53 Australian dollars per share.
Analysts praised Mr. Murdoch's strategy, and

the stock-price rise was dramatic in light of the.

fact that half of the \$525 million price for two-

thirds of the broadcaster is to be paid in News.

have complained of losing valuable govern-

government relations of the American Business Council in Singapore, pointed out that European and Japanese companies did not have to observe the same rules as American businesses did. He said there was "a widesuread feeling that our competition from other industrial countries, where such behavior is not restrained by criminal penalties, uses bribery as a tool to compete with U.S. companies for government tenders."

can businessmen have complained that, with the exception of Singapore, corrup-

In countries where corruption is prevalent, U.S. companies are at a disadvantage.'

Fritz Taylor of the American Business Council, Singapore

tion is commonplace in much of East Asia. Mr. Taylor said that as a result, "in countries where corruption is prevalent, U.S. companies are at a competitive disadvantage."

Mr. Taylor emphasized that American

businesses were not seeking repeal of the tough U.S. anti-bribery law. Rather, he said, American companies wanted Washington to negotiate a treaty or series of treaties outlaw-

He also said the United States should seek bans on business bribery when it negotiated trade issues with other industrialized nations,

Although the purchase could initially dilute

News Corp is earnings per share for the year ending June 30, 1994, possibly by as much as 10

percent, analysts said the deal was crucial for

the company's global strategy.
"STAR's potential in China as well as the

rest of the region completes the geographical

jiesaw puzzle for News Corp.," said Bruce Rolph, a vice president of Salomon Brothers

Australia. "It's not going to be an immediate

moneyspinner for the company but it has long-

Analysts said that besides filling in a geo-graphic weak link, the deal showed that News

Corp. had recovered from the heavy debt prob-

Market Cheers Murdoch's Acquisition

"just as human-rights issues are emphasized in dealing with developing countries."

A survey in March of 74 senior executives of banks and corporations in East Asia by Political & Economic Risk Consultancy Ltd. in Hong Kong found that China, Indonesia, the Philippines and Thailand had particularly bad reputations for tolerating corruption.

In a summary of the findings circulated to business clients in April, the consultancy firm said that China's rapid economic growth had been accompanied by a big increase in offi-cial graft and that "demands for kickbacks are becoming much more common and also

The firm said that while Thailand's elected government had made some strides in curbing corruption, the problem "remains ram-pant" in the Philippines and had been a major contributing factor to failed projects, policy reversals and economic stagnation.
The survey also suggested that, although the problem existed in Malaysia, South Korea and Taiwan, it was not as common or

Although Japan was rated slightly below Hong Kong on the corruption scale, the firm said that Japan was a country "where politics and business go hand in hand, and power

It said Singapore was viewed as the least tolerant of corruption and as a result had been "able to position itself well in the drive to attract capital and investment, oot only from the West but also from individuals in neighboring countries in search of a safe haven for their surplus assets."

emerging once again as the fairly dynamic news organization it was in the early 1980s, before

the temporary financial problems it had in the

late 1980s, early 1990s," said Bill Bannister, an analyst at Nomura Research Institute.

operations in the Asia-Pacific region contribut-

ed the lowest proportion of the company's

operating profit, 20.6 percent, but the highest

return on assets, 8.7 percent, a report by Mr.

Earlier this month, Mr. Bannister rated New

Corp. stock a "strong bry" in anticipation of it taking a stake in Asian broadcasting.
(Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP)

In the year through June 1992, News Corp.

Corp. shares to STAR's owners, Hutchison Whampon Ltd. and the family of its chairman, Li Ka-shing. They will retain 346 percent of STAR.

"To me, this really signals News Corp. is

Bannister said.

Japan Declares Worst Is Over For Economy

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches TOKYO - The Japanese government said Tuesday that the productivity is the only way to reworst was over for the economy. but urged the nation to work to boost productivity to help speed its

The government's Economic Planning Agency said in its annual white paper that, "Although still sluggish overall, the economy is over the worst and some recovery is now in sight."

climb out of recession.

Listing areas where the economy report said spending on durable goods was rising and consumer confidence was no longer declining. In fact, it reported separately Tuesday that consumer confidence proved in the second quarter of 1993 for the first time in more than two years.

The agency said that the government's economic-stimulus packages, which focused on publicworks spending, would also aid the economy as their full impact gradu-

But the EPA admitted it was mistaken in forecasting a "soft landing" for the economy and in declaring an end in the recession on several previous occasions.

The white paper blamed the socalled "bubble economy" and easymoney climate of the 1980s for the current poor economic situation. and said an increase in Japanese productivity - already the highest m the world - was the best way to escape the recession.

The bureaucrats responsible for

defining the government's economic policy, who entitled their white paper "What we learned from the paper What we learned from the bubble and our challenges for a

a return to recipes that brought the success of Japan Inc. An increase in sume economic growth and improve sustainable income levels, the EPA report said.

The white paper rejected the idea that a stronger yen would help cut Japan's politically sensitive current-account surplus, which hit a record 5126.08 billion in fiscal 1993, which ended March 31.

According to EPA estimates, the effect of cutting the surplus bewas showing signs of recovery, the comes apparent only four years after an appreciation of the yen, and even then the impact is limited. The EPA also warned against

protectionism, saying that socalled managed trade would lead to lower competition and thus erode the strength of the world economy in the long run.

Referring to recent attempts by Japan's trading partners, particu-larly the United States, to set targets for improving access in the Japanese market, the EPA said ich measures would invite political interference in a free market. causing a heavy economic burden for Japan and other nations.

The white paper came as Japan released other statistics pointing to economic weakness. The Ministry of International Trade and Industry said sales at department stores and supermarkets fell 4.8 percent in June from a year earlier, to 1.666 trillion yen (\$15.5 billion). The decline came after a drop of 3.9 percent in May.

Separately, the Japan Automobile Manufacturers Association said vehicle exports fell 3.6 percent in the first half of the year, and blamed the sharp rise of the yen for new development," recommended the decline. (Reuters, AFP)

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Very briefly:

 Prosecutors in Tokyo said they had arrested four people accused of manipulating the stock price of Nihon Unisys, a computer company 32 percent-owned by Unisvs Corp. of the United States, in 1990 and 1991. · Taiwan's economy continued to contract in June, as a composite

indicator fell to its lowest level since 1991. Meanwhile, trade between Taiwan and China through Hong Kong rose 22.5 percent in \$3.39 billion in the first five months of the year, but its growth is slowing.

 Newcrest Mining Ltd., one of Australia's largest gold producers, said first-half profit rose 39 percent to 31.7 million dollars (\$21.5 million). excluding a special tax provisioo. The results met market expectations. • Telstra Corp., Australia's overseas telecommunications oetwork, said it had successfully issued \$300 million of 6.5 percent 10-year ootes in a

private placement in the United States. • Philippine Airlines said net income fell 7.8 percent in the year ended March 31, m 1.03 hillion pesos (\$36.8 million), from 1.11 billion pesos the

year before, largely because of higher interest costs. . Japan's crude-oil imports in June jumped 1.7 percent from May and were up 12.6 percent from a year earlier at 122.11 million barrels, a

government report said. But the amount of crude oil processed in June dropped 0.5 percent from June 1992. • Toshiba Corp. said it had developed the world's smallest and fastest optical-data transmitter and receiver modules, less than one-sixtieth the

size of a conventional system but able to transmit and receive 100 highdefinition TV channels or the voice signals of 150,000 telephone lines.

Honda Cars to Be Assembled in China

TOKYO - Honda Motor Co. agreement with China's Yangcheng Automobile Co. to produce cars in

1996, Honda will ship major parts, man said, adding that the company including bodies and engines, from did not at this point have any plans.

Japan, while the Chinese partner to set up its own facilities in China.

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er-term potential."

said Tuesday that it had signed an decided after the two companies see production and sales results, a Honda spokesman said. "It is a Under an accord extending to the Chinese market," the spokes-

Further production plans will be venture with a local carmaker next trial to see how much we can do in

year to produce trucks in China. Honda's agreement with Yangcheng is its seventh business ven- and 1992. mre in China, including three jointventure agreements for motorcycle lapan Automobile Manufacturers production in China, a parts-sup- Association showed that Japanese kory in Guangzhou and market the trolled company, is currently proply agreement and two technicalcars under the Honda brand name. during and selling pickup trucks in
though her calls a limited risk in

The companies will start assess. China. Honda has only a limited risk in of 19 bling vehicles in November and Among other Japanese carmak- the arrangement with Yangcheng ago.

ers, Toyota Motor Corp. started joint production with a Chinese make any investment in China and in addition will only be selling parts to Yangcheng, leaving it with the responsibility of marketing the cars. Automobile and truck produc-

tion in China soared 67 percent in 1.08 million units between 1988 Figures released Tuesday by the

antomakers exported 125,659 vehicles to China in the first six months Honda has only a limited risk in of 1993, up 136 percent from a year he arrangement with Yangcheng. ago. (AFP, Bloomberg)

Taiwan Approves Plans For Venture With BAe

TAIPEI — The government formally approved Tuesday a \$375 million joint venture with British Aerospace PLC to build regional passenger jets.

A senior official also said a

Taiwan bank group had agreed in principle to provide \$460 million to support the venture. The vice economics minister, Yang Shih-chien, said at a news conference that Premier Lien Chan on Monday had approved

a crucial proposal to increase the government's stake in Taiwan Acrospace Corp. from 29 percent to 39 percent. He added that the state-run Chiao Tung Bank had agreed to

organize a ecosortium that million in loans for an aircraft lease-sale facility and \$60 mil-

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In London, a British Aerospace spokeswoman characterized reports of Tuesday's actions by Taiwan as "some very encouraging stories" but added. "As far as we're concerned, the contract isn't signed, scaled and delivered yet."

The joint venture, Avro International Acrospace Ltd., was expected in be formally established sometime after a Taiwan Aerospace hoard meeting scheduled for Friday. British Aerospace and Tai-

wan Aerospace signed a con-tract in January to form a 50-50 venture to make RJ series jets. which would carry between 75 and 115 passengers each. The Britain and in Taiwan. (Reuters, Bloomberg, AP)

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New Labor Strife at Hyundai to settle a long-running labor dis-

SEOUL - Labor trouble at five Hyundai Group subsidiaries flared again oo Tuesday, mioo officials said, dashing hopes for a quick end in the industrial strife damaging South Korea's leading exporter.

The disputes ended lingering hopes that the five units would follow the compromise reached by Hyundai Motor Co. on Friday, one day before government troubleshooters armed with emergency powers to intervene were due to

Government, investment and business circles had greeted that decision with relief. But the relief

Co. locked out workers after talks union spokesman said.

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pute broke down, and said the lock-out would cootinue until a wage agreement was reached. The unions want a 20.5 percent increase. In each of the cases, unions have

rejected management offers of an

average 4.7 percent wage increase

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this year in line with government guidelines set in curb inflation, and are demanding double-digit raises. Later in the day, South Korea's largest shipbuilder, Hyundai Heavy Industries Co., threatened

to lock workers out unless union ocgotiators reduced their demands. Workers at Hyuodai Mipo Dockyard Co., a ship-repair spe-

so voted, with a majority Early on Tuesday, the manage- of 62.7 percent, against settling a ment of Hyundai Wood Industries long-running labor dispute, a

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Bosox Streak Ends As Brunansky Stuns **Even His Brewers**

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There were no excuses from the Boston Red Sox relief pitcher, Jeff Russell, for a pitch he shouldn't have thrown. No excuses, either, from Tom Brunansky, a veteran whose first season with the Milwankee Brewers has been just short

But on Monday night, Brun-ansky beat Russell and the Brewers

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beat the visiting Red Sox, 3-2, to end Boston's 10-game winning

Brunansky, with a .179 batting average, hit a two-out, two-run homer in the minth off Russell, who had eight straight saves and 26 saves in 28 chances entering the

game.
"You make a quality pitch and there is no problem; you throw him a pitch he's capable of hitting and he's going to hit it," Russell said after throwing a hanging, breaking pitch to Brunansky, who has had problems all season with fastballs. B.J. Surboff reached with a bunt single off Tony Fossas with one out in the ninth, When Greg Vaughn was announced as a pinch-hitter, Russell replaced Fossas and got

Vaughn on a fly to right.
Brunansky, in the lineup because Vaughn had been scratched with a sore rib cage muscle, lined an 0-1 pitch into the left field seats.

He had signed with the Brewers as a free agent after spending most of the previous three seasons with the Red Sox. Last season in Boston. he hit .266 with 15 homers and 74

But this season he's been mostly overmatched, especially hy fast-balls, and has struck out 55 times in just 201 at-bats.

"If anybody had to beat us, I'm glad it was Brunansky," said Bos-ton manager Butch Hobson, whose team dropped one-half game be-hind idle Toronto in the AL East "He's a good man and a class per-

Tigers 5, Yankees 2: Cecil Fielder hit his 26th homer as David Wells outducted former teammate Jimmy Key to end an 0-5 streak and Detroit ended visiting New York's four-game winning streak. Don Mattingly hit a solo homer, his ninth, and an RBI single for

New York Royals 12, Rangers 3: Royals 6, Rangers 5: George Brett paced a 21-hit attack with four hits and three RBIs in the first game, and Kansas City, playing at home, add-ed 10 hits in the nightcap to sweep

Brett singled twice, doubled and homered for the 56th four-hit game of his career, then added a double



With Kirt Manwaring still awaiting the throw, Brett Butler bounced home with one of the 15 runs the Dodgers scored against the Giants.

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it stayed that way until the eighth, when two walks preceded the RB1 utive run-scoring singles by Frank
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singles against Jerry DiPoto.

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Steinbach and Dave Henderson hit

12th setback in 14 career decisions against the A's.

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California is just two losses shy

RBIs and Ruben Sierra had four hits and three RBIs.

Dodgers Continue To Give Giants Fits

Handling the team with the second-best record in baseball, the Philadelphia Phillies, has been easy for the San Francisco Giants this

But give them a mediocre team like the Los Angeles Dodgers, and the Giants sometimes look more like the Colorado Rockies than 67game winners.

Los Angeles is one of only two teams to have winning records against the powerful Giants this season, and the visiting Dodgers upped theirs to 5-2 Monday by handing San Francisco its worst defeat since 1975, a 15-1 rout.

"If we could play every day the way we played today, we'd be in a much better situation," first baseman Eric Karros said.

Unfortunately for the Dodgers, they still trail San Francisco by 14 games in the National League West

"Fourteen out is a long way to go," said Orel Hershiser, who pitched a five hit complete game to improve to 19-7 lifetime against the Giants. "If we can put them in a shump, fantastic, but they're really going to be tough to catch."

One day after being shut out by the New York Mets, the Dodgers scored a sesson high in runs and tied a season high with 17 hits. Mike Piazza, Jose Offerman and Eric Davis each drove in three runs as every member of the starting

Piazza, Karros and Henry Rodriguez all homered.

Braves 12, Rockies 7: Ron Gant, Jeff Blauser and Davis Justice homered over the walls, Deion Sanders used his speed to hit an insidethe park homer and set up another run with a stolen base, and Greg Maddux recorded his fourth straight victory as visiting Atlanta beat Colorado.

Atlants moved within eight games of San Francisco in the NL

Maddux held the Rockies to two. bases-empty bomers through seven

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innings. But relieves Jay Howell gave up a grand slam to Charlie Hayes in the eighth inning. Flayes had also homered in the second. and his five RBIs tied a club record.

Reds 6, Astros 1: Jose Rijo held host Houston to five hits for eight innings, striking out 10, as Cincingati beat All-Star pitcher Darryl Kile. Jeff Branson drove in two runs, improving his career average against Houston to .433 (13 for 30).

Cels 9, Padres 6: Jose Vizcaino's three-run homer with two outs in the bottom of the 11th gave Chicago its victory over San Diego.

With one out in the 11th, pitches Shawn Boskie singled off reliever— Tim Mauser: One out later, Rey-Sanchez singled and was followed by Vizcaino's game-winning-homer, only his second of the sea-son. Vizcaino finished with four

Jack Lazorko's Odyssey, or, Around the World on a Knuckle Curve

By Ira Berkow New York Times Service

ROCKWALL, Texas — Maybe you've never heard of Jack Lazorko, the 37-year-old righthoded pitcher as compact as a tugboat who is taked "Il Bulldog" in Italy, "El Bulldog" in Lain America and "Zork" in the United States.

Maybe you've never seen him play — dark brows over intense hazel eyes, armed with an assortment of pitches from forkballs to knuckle curves to sliders to fastballs that dip and fastballs that rise, none of which will blow anyone away. as he describes it, but all of which are invariably around the plate and always carry a purpose.

While hardly a household name, fans in hundreds of the most unlikely towns around the world plus a legion of people in baseball — from players to executives — knows him or of him. After all, he played for, with or against many of those in baseball. Maybe most of them. "Sometimes," he said, "it feels like all of

Jack Lazorko's. He was born in Hoboken, New Jersey, and has called so many places home since that, he says, he has single-handedly kept

mapmakers in business.

Maybe you haven't followed his career for the past 16 years as he played for nine majorleague organizations and 17 of their teams, plus maybe a dozen more teams in the Caribbean and Mexico and South America and Europe. this year alone, he has worn the uniform of the New York Yankees in spring training and the Norfolk Tides, the New York Mets' Class

A.v. leam. When a call was made recently to the Tides' executive office, the question was asked whether Jack Lazorko was there.

Not anymore." Gone after seven games.

It is, in a nutshell, the story of Jack Thomas Lazorko's baseball life.

"I've been released by more teams in more leagues in more countries and in more languages than anyone in the history of baseball," Lazorko said recently. He shakes his head and smiles wryly: "Unbelievable."

Unbelievable because, as be said recently at his home in Rockwall, Texas, "I always seem to be the 11th man on a 10-man pitching staff," He is currently unemployed. Again. But that could change tomorrow. Or the next day. He is ready. He says he has learned to pack in 10

"What color sleeves?" He has in his closet piles of various colors in

minutes for a six-month trip, if necessary. He asks two questions of his new team: "What color spikes do you wear?"

brief pitching stints in the major leagues in chandising, we parts of five years in the 1980s with Milwaukee, ida, where he we seattle, Detroit and California — twice — as a spot starter, middle reliever and infrequent — "As soon as closer. It took him three years to notch his first victory in the big leagues (he has five wins against eight losses and two saves with a 4.22 carned-rum average in 69 games). The last time be appeared in the major leagues was in 1988

with the Angels, Maybe you didn't see him pitching with his customary aggressiveness in the tropical heat of Managua, Nicaragua, where be and his teammates were protected from antsy local fans by soldiers bearing submachine guns, or hurling in

baseball shoes and piles of sweat shirts. In his

'I've been released by more teams in more leagues in more countries in more languages than anyone in baseball.' Jack Lazorko, 37

attic above the garage are several dozen suit-cases, hanging bags and equipment bags. "But this year might be the turning point, when I start to think of something else, a normal job, maybe like coaching," said Lazorko. "It's come to that."

Lazorko has played at all levels of amateur and professional baseball, from rookie league to the majors. He has played in the United States and Canada, Mexico, Latin America and Europe, for teams ranging from the El Paso Diahlos to the Sun City Rays in the Senior League and on 10, among others, the Calgary Cannons, Los Mochis (Mexico) Caneros, Santurce (Puerto Rico) Crabbers, Valencia (Venezuela) Magallenes and Parma (Italy) Angels.

Most recently, he joined a team called the Hollywood Legends, which played and won a

I PON'T KNOW, SIR, **YOU** DICTATED

the midnight sun in Skelleftea, Sweden, just a three-hour hus ride from the North Pole.

And maybe you haven't seen him throwing in secent days at a screen with a roped-off strike zone in his small backyard here, a bedroom community just north of Dallas, hoping for one more chance at the big leagues, or Japan, or somewhere.

"Every year we say, This year, this year won't be crazy like the last one," said Brenda, his wife of 15 years. "And every year turns out to be crazy, like the last one, only more so."
"Every year we start out with a plan." Lazorko said. "We have plan A, plan B. This year we're on plan double Z, and the summer has

only just started."

Brenda Nanney and Jack Lazorko met when they were in college together at Mississippi State in 1978. He graduated that year with a

week-long European tournament in Belgium. Maybe you were not aware of Jack Lazorko's year Brenda, who got a degree in fashion merchandising, went to visit Jack in Sarasota, Florida, where he was playing in his second profes-

> "As soon as 1 got there, he was sold to Asheville," she said, speaking of his move from the Houston Astros organization to that of the Texas Rangers. "Right then I should have

In the first five or six years of their marriage, they moved 50 or 60 times. "Then we just started to lose count," she said. "It seems that every time I unpacked everything, we were traded or sold. It was like a bad omen. Even when we were in one place for a while — like we were in Tulsa for a full year — I still kept all my cosmetics in the bag.

He is always so close to success, he feels. So close to reaching his dream of having a fulfilling career as a major-league pitcher. This, he says, is more important even than the big bucks he would receive. He sees players he played with in Darling and Tom Candiotti, among others, making millions.

The most be ever made was \$125,000 when he pitched for Edmonton on a major-league contract. In lean years, "to make ends meet," he had to pitch winter hall and, on the side, sell radio advertising, storm windows and meat from the back of a truck.

In recent years, though, he has earned a regular, if generally modest, living —especially when you factor the expenses for his peripatetic existence — for Brenda and their three children, 11-year-old Jake, 7-year-old Mitch and 3-year-old Nicky, all of whom travel with him.

The Lazorkos lived in Italy last season, renting a fourth-floor walk-up in Parma, where he made \$90,000 and was named the most valuable player in the Italian League as well as in

the championships, which Parma won. He pitched and won the last two games on the same

Traveling the way we have, the kids have got. an education you wouldn't believe," said Bren-

Back in Texas, where Brenda was raised and where, Lazorko said, one can conveniently catch nonstop flights to almost anywhere in the world, the Lazorkos live in a nicely appointed

world, the Lazorkos hye m a meety appointed two-story brick house on a street appropriately named "Meandering Way."

Lazorko has been careful with his money, and has been able to buy the house as well as keep up a college fund for his children.

"And we've managed to save some — not a lot," said Lazorko. "But I'm going to have to find a joh soon. These kids drink a lot of milk."

So he was on the telephone trying to sail.

So he was on the telephone trying to sell himself and his pitching arm to a rather refuctant clientele. "Oh, he's not in?" said Lazorko in from his

kitchen, with the American League Red Book and the National Leas the Green Book, k with team phone numbers, on the table before "Well, could you tell him Jack Lazorko called? Would be mind calling me back? He'll know what it's about it. Thank you."

Brenda does not discourage her husban The kids, apparently, have not suffered. Jack tutored them in Italy, and Jake spent his minthhirthday climbing the Matterhorn with his folks and his 10th hirthday climbing one of the pyramids in Egypt, until a security guard told him it wasn't allowed.

When Mitch was learning his ABCs in kindergarten earlier in the year, he had to draw an example of a word beginning with each letter. He was corrected by the teacher on his "G."

"You drew a boat, Mitch," she said. "That's

"No," he corrected, "That's a goudola."

2 Pitchers Traded, **Padre Sale Closing**

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego Padres' fire sale may have finally burned itself out.

The trade of pitchers Bruce Hurst and Greg Harris to the Colorado Rockies on Monday left the team with the lowest payroll in major league.

baseball and only two real stars.

The Padres' general manager, Randy Smith, defended the two-for-three deal, which was the latest of a payroll-alashing campaign that began late last season. Smith said Hurst, who's on the disabled list

for the second time this season, didn't figure into the team's plans for next season and that the Padres feared they would lose Harris with out compensation when he becomes eligible for free agency at the end of 1994. Harris is eligible for salary arbitration at the

ead of this year. Smith said the right-hander wanted a four-year contract, a deal the teamwas unwilling to make.

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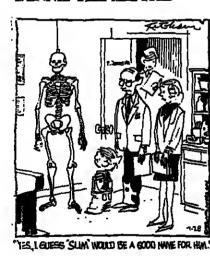
who will become the 11th rookie on the active roster, minor-league pitcher Doug Bochtler and another player, believed to be right-hander Andy Ashby, a former Philadelphia pitcher sent last month to Class AAA Colorado Springs.

The Padres have only two real stars remaining, outfielder and four-time batting champion. Tony Gwynn, who makes \$3.75 million, and All-Star patcher Andy Benes (\$2.05 million).

Gwyin can refuse a trade and the Padres want to keep Benes, although he recently said he didn't want to sign a long-term contract until he sees evidence the team wants to win.

The deal dropped the Padres' payroll to \$11.12 million, down from \$24.5 million on opening day and \$29.2 million at the start of the 1992 season. San Diego now has 13 players at the minimum of \$109,000.

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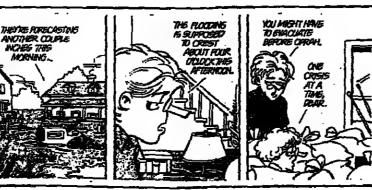
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SPORTS FOOTBALL

NFL's Wolf-Rebuilt Packers Are Pounding on Glory's Door Again

By Timothy W. Smith

GREEN BAY, Wisconsin - During his first visit here, Reggie White was treated by Ron. Wolf, the Green Bay Packers' executive vice president and general manager, to the same tour through Lambeau Field as all the other free agents of the National Football League who came through.

Wolf was the perfect tour guide, pointing out the names of the Packers' legends that ring the stadium. And he talked to White about possi-

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"I told Reggie: You're already a great player. If you come here and play in Green Bay, you'll leave the game immortal."

A few weeks later, White was a Packer, bringing with him a flood of expectations from long-

"You think of the Packers, you think of Vince Lombardi," said Wolf, who spent 25 years in the Oakland and then Angeles Raiders' front office and a year as the New York Jets' have necessarily director but one talk should be a second of the control of the said of the said of the control of the said of th player personnel director but can talk about the Packers' tradition with the best of them,

of winning." Wolf said. "The team that wins the Super Bowl gets the Vince Lombardi Trophy. A generation has come and gone and has no affiliation with Ray Nitschke, Herb Adderley, Willie Davis, Jim Taylor and Paul Hornung. That was 27 years ago. All of them are in the Hall of Fame and there are people here who don't even know who they are."

Wolf was hired in 1991 to give this generation of Packer fans some identifiable legends of their own and in the process bring home the trophy that bears the name of one of its greatest legends.
A disciple of the Raiders' owner, Al Davis. "without all the intrigue," Wolf, 54, has a simple philosophy on building a winner.

"You have to get all the parts to function as a

He's well on his way to acquiring some remarkable pieces.

In two years on the job, Wolf has assembled an accomplished coaching staff, headed by Miles Holmgren, the 49ers' offensive coordinator for Super Bowl titles in 1989 and 1990; acquired a promising young quarterback in Brett Favre, who authority to one man. He chose Wolf.

named to the Pro Bowl; and landed White, one of the most sought-after free agents between seasons and the most profife sack artist in the game.

The Packers finished 9-7 last year and just missed making the playoffs. There is excitement from team officials, players and coaches for this season, but it is tempered by caution.

"We're a better team than we were last year. but who knows if the record is going to be better," said Robert E. Harlan, the Packers'

He added, "I do feel better about this team than the '89 team."

In 1989, the Packers finished 10-6 and fied for first place in the National Football Conference's Central Division after three straight losing seasons. But then they hit the skids, finishing 6-10 in 1990 and 4-12 in 1991 and prompting Harlan to consider changing the way the team was run.

Harlan decided to abolish the system whereby the coach and general manager split football decisions 50/50 and decided to give all the

"Anyone who had worked side by side with Al Davis for so long has to be a qualified football person," Harlan said.

Wolf was not excited about the job, until he was told that as general manager and executive vice president of the team be would have carte blanche on all football decisions without interference from the executive committee that controis the publicly-held Packers.

Wolf tested his authority almost immediately. He joined the team with four games remaining in the 1991 season and with Lindy Infante still the coach. After observing what he called a "country-club atmosphere — the team was 4-12 and acting like they were 124," Wolf went to Harlan and said be was going to fire Infante. Harlan had no objections, and Wolf fired the coach after the final game of the season, which happened to be a victory over Minnesota.

Working on the philosophy that winning begets winning. Wolf centered his search for a new coach on someone who had been associated with Super Bowl championship teams. He settled on Holmgren early.

someone I had to talk to," Wolf said. "Within 15 minutes of the interview, I knew this was the guy we had to get. He is an honest person and you knew from his reputation that he could make the offense go. He bad taken different pieces and put them together and torn them

apart and put them together again. 'He had done things with Joe Montana Steve Young and Steve Bono. It didn't matter what the pieces were, he always got them to function. He had an air of confidence and cockiness that comes with winning. He was someone our people could believe in

Holmgren was able to lure away from San Francisco both Ray Rhodes, who is the Packers' defensive coordinator, and Sherman Lewis, Green Bay's offensive coordinator. All three were instrumental in the 49ers' Super Bowl success in the 1980s.

With receiver Sterling Sharpe potentially a version of the 49ers' Jerry Rice, Wolf and Holmgren had to find the equivalent of San Francisco's quarterback then, Joe Montana.

Atlanta Falcons.

During the 1991 draft, Favre was the first player on the Jets' draft board, according to Wolf, who was then New York's player personnel director. But Atlanta snapped him up before the Jets, who didn't have a first-round pick that year, could get around to selecting him in the second round.

But Wolf never forgot the impression that Favre had made on him at a workout, which happened to have been conducted by Holmgren, during the spring of 1991 at Southern dississippi before the college draft. In one of his first big deals upon arriving in Green Bay. Wolf gave the Falcons a first-round pick in the

1992 draft for Favre.
"It was a gamble," Wolf said. "He was drafted in the second round and he was a third-team player who couldn't get along in Atlanta. But it worked out"

Then came the surprise signing of White. And now the Packers seem poised in get back to glory days of Davis, Adderley, Hornung and Starr and Nitschke. With Wolf at the helm.

Tapie Gets Reproof for Banning TV 1000

The Associated Press PARIS - The French soccer federation Tuesday condemned Olympique Marseille for barring several television networks from covering its season opener last weekend, while a top television executive urged club owner Bernard-

Tapic to quit.

Herve Bourges, director general
of France 2 and France 3, suggested in an interview in France-Soir that the best thing Mr. Tapie could do for his club is resign.

The club, under fire over a match-fixing scandal on its way to last season's victory in the Europewan Champions Cup, barred camera. crews from the state-owned networks France 2 and France 3.

Mr. Tapie, who a day earlier had attacked a France 2 crew trying to film his bixury yacht, said that the four networks had no contract to film his club's matches,

In a communique, the French Football Federation "strongly con-demned" the parriers and noted that the league's agreement with French television authorities requires all duly accredited fournal-



GREAT. BUT NOT CHEAP - Some of the sport's greatest players from around the world gathered Tuesday in Sydney for a \$700-a-head dinner that was billed as "The Greatest Night in Rughy History." In the front row, from left, are Jacques Fouroux, Mike Gibson, Gareth Edwards, Colin Deans, Jim Renwick

and Fergus Slattery. Second row: Wilson, David Duckham, Bryn Meredith and Naas Botha. Third row: John Freedman, Wilson Whineray, Morne Du Plessis, Mike Borton and John Taylor. In the back row: Brian Lochore, Colin Meads, Mervyn Davies, Tony Neary, Frik Du Preez, Rob Henning and Andy Haden.

Bolivia Steals Brazil's Thunder, and Its Methods

ONDON—Surprise is the spice of life, the life blood of sport. And for Bolivia to beat Brazil in a World Cup qualifying much is confirmation that all things are possible during 90 minutes of play.

It happened in La Paz on Sunday night, when Europeans were sleeping. Once we took it in, even those of us who never spect to see anyone play soccer more excitingly than the Frazilians rejoiced:

population terms are outnombered 23 times over. Bolivia has never been to a World Cup; Brazil has never

failed to reach one and, until Sunday, had never lost a qualifying match. Still, things are not irre-versible. With six qualify-

Rob Hughes

ing matches to go, Brazil, for my money, will still be among the guests at the 1994 tournament in the United States. But I wobble slightly on my prediction that Brazil and Argentina are the teams most likely to recapture the World Cup. Are we absolutely sure Bolivia is not a Latin equivalent to the African nations whose flair has surprised soccer's high

and mighty? Sunday's victory against Brazil followed a 7-I World Cup triumph in Venezuela a week previously.

There is, clearly, skill and belief rising in Bolivia. Readers of this column may have seen it coming. Some years ago we will ribute to Tahnichi, a club, an academy, in Santa Cruz that takes boys off the streets, offers them soccer instead of drugs. From its thousands of pupils, Tahuichi has sent teams to win junior competition in all corners of the world. Tahuichi old boys, including the scorer of the first goal, were in the thick of things on Sunday. But before we go

further down that road, there are extenuating reasons for 17.5 Brazil's lapse.
First, the air. La Paz is almost 13,000 feet (4,000 meters)

above sea level, and the advantage to those born at such From a distance, I suspect the Brazilian newspaper re-

sponses blaming the manager, Carlos Alberto Parreira, for failing to prepare his team properly are as thin as the oxygen his players were obliged to breath.

Parreira lacks neither intelligence nor thoroughness. He came to soccer as an advocate of physical education. His assistant, Mario Zagalo, played three in World Cups, one at high altitude in Mexico City. Never in a month of Bolivian · Sundays would they have underestimated the conditions. The truth is, soccer is a changing world and Parreira is

Good for Bolivia. Its 2-0 victory was fantasy made real, a now a handicapped rather than a privileged manager. In little fellow bringing down a giant. Bolivians are not a Brazil's great years, the national squad was top priority. It different a species than their Brazilian neighbors, but in was Brazil which fived on high, up a mountain called Dedo de Deus, Finger of God. There, above Rio de Janeiro, the chosen players were

encamped in a luxurious concentration. Away from the temptations of women and drink, away from the burly burly of league play, they were rested and trained toward a single goal: winning soccer's most coveted trophy.

Today, there is no mountain, no time. Parreira cannot persuade the greedy men who run his own soccer federation to cut back the draining overscheduling of Brazilian league matches which inflict three games a week, with thousands of travel miles and barely one month's rest in the calendar. The same administrators saddled him with three tournaments in June and July: the U.S. Cup '93, the Copa America, the World Cup qualifiers. Then there are outside forces. Brazil, like other countries

whose finest performers are lured to Italy, can only beg and sometimes borrow their own, worn, nationals. The Italians, following their leader, Silvio Berlusconi, are so full of their own self-importance they arrogantly consider club soccer to be more worthy than the international game.

FIFA tries to pry open the club fist. It demands the release of players for World Cup duty. But, overplayed as they are, they arrive already quite breathless and too many of them pull on the national jersey with a sense of burden,

not joy.

T N THE CASE of La Paz, they simply were not available

N THE CASE of La Paz, they simply were not available IN THE CASE of La Paz, they simply were not available for acclimatization. Don't blame the coach for that, or for the flagging of his team in the dying moments. Parreira might, however, have contributed to his problem.

He stuck blindly to Claudio Taffarei, a roalkeeper who had lost form and faith at his Italian club Parma. Hiring more foreigners than it could play, Parma dropped

Taffarel for months on end, leaving him frustrated and idle. Italians play no reserve games, so Taffarel's routine was obviously rusty during the U.S. Cup. Still Parreira insisted Taffarel was the best in Brazil and would be in condition by the time the world qualifiers began. In the 81st minute in La Paz, that judgment seemed

vindicated when Taffarel stopped a penalty shot. Alas, goalkeepers are such vulnerable creatures: Seven minutes later he reportedly blundered by turning a Marco Echeverry cross into his own net, and a minute later Taffarel allowed a long shot from Aluna Pena to get through his legs. Cardinal errors, but making Taffarel the scapegoat is as simplistic as blaming Parreira.

Brazil is no longer so overwhelmingly superior it can, without due training, shrug off a rising power. A cynic may say that is what happens if you shoot the street kids while others reach down into poverty to pluck talents from the T WAS SO in the great Hungarian era of the 1950s. It is

I so in Ghana and Cameroon. And the Latin Americans emphasized that. Pele and Garringha came from nothing. Maradona too. They had few distractions in the way of a child's love affair with a ball. Soccer needs only that, and

Bolivia simply followed the Brazilian example. Tahuichi's founder, Rolando Aguilera, had sought out a lamous Brazilian, Dede, to coach his own sons after returning from seven years exile in Washington.

The boys had grown up on baseball and American football. But while Dede was showing them the magic, kids from the streets joined in. Tahnichi was born. Bolivia's team today is coached by a Spaniard, Xavier

Askargorta. Good though he is, he knows he is working with the "sons" of Agnilers and with a game passed on by a In La Paz, on Sunday night, the neighbor became a little

OVER GENEROUS.

SIDELINES

4 Austrian Runners Admit to Using Drugs

VIENNA (Reuters) - Audreas Berger, the Austrian 100- and 200meter record holder, has admitted that be and three other runners on the national relay team have tested positive for banned drugs.

Berger told Austrian Television that he, Franz Raizenberger, Thomas Renner and Gernot Kellermayr had tested positive in a in Austria by IAAF officials.

a choice: stop or turn to banned performance, Renner and Kellermayr also took the risk.

For the Record

The Canadian Football League expanded to Las Vegas and said it could have as many as 12 teams next year, with three or four in the United (AP)

Mario Lemieux, the NHL's most valuable player and leading scorer last season, is to undergo exploratory back surgery Wednesday, the Pitts-

burgh Penguins said. (UPI) Olympiakos, the Greek soccer team, had \$23 million in debts canceled by the government after Georges Koskotas, the president of the country's most popular club, threatened to close it down. (AFP)

Ouotable

 Michael McDonnell, a London columnist, on the recent BMW Masters golf tournament for women in Belgium; "Officials and sponsors felt that the more correct title of BMW Mistresses was somehow inappropriate."

Bills' Smith End **Holdouts Richer**

Saints' Andersen,

Bruce Smith and Morten Andersen have ended costly boldouts, but it cost their teams plenty to get them back.

Smith agreed to a four-year contract with the Buffalo Bills on Monday that will put him among the National Football League's highest paid players. Mortensen did the same with the New Orleans Saints and took a giant step up the salary scale.

Smith, who incurred fines of \$16,000 by holding out for the first four days of training camp, was seeking a deal comparable to the \$17 million, four-year contract that Reggie White signed with Green Bay. "I think there were some steps

taken, not only on our behalf, birt on the Bills' behalf as well," Smith said. "I was very pleased about The Bills were known to have

offered Smith about \$3 million a year. His agent, Brig Owens, was expected to come to the Bills' camp Tuesday and finalize the deal for one of the leaders of the team's three straight Super Bowl appearances.

Andersen agreed to a contract with New Orleans reportedly worth \$4.2 million over the next four years, ending an 11-day holdout.

The Saints did not disclose terms of the contract, but a New Orleans television station quoted the NFL players' union as saying Andersen would get an \$800,000 signing bo-nus and \$1 million this year, then \$800,000 in 1994, 1995 and 1996.

"In my opinion, it was a very fair and very lucrative deal for me," said Andersen, a six-time Pro Bowl kicker who ranks 17th on the NFL's career scoring list with 1,085

New York Giants -- Pepper random test conducted this month Johnson came to camp a week late, \$28,000 poorer in lines and ready Berger said that after "Ratzen-berger and I were injured, we faced an linebacker is entering the final a choice: stop or turn to banned year of a contract that will pay him substances." He said that after see-\$1.2 million this season. He wants ing great improvements in their to renegotiate and has been upset over a possible move to outside linebacker.

"I thought I might as well come in and get a couple of licks in." Johnson said. "How long I'm going to be here is annther story.

Dallas Cowboys -- Tight end Alfredo Roberts fractured a foot during a passing drill with the Los Angeles Raiders and will be lost to the Super Bowl champions for at least eight weeks. He was to undergo surgery Tuesday.

Roberts, the best blocker in the Cowboys' tight-end alignment, missed last year's playoffs because of knee surgery but appeared fully recovered.

Houston Oilers - Safety Mike Dumas may have ruptured his Achilles' tendon and returned to

Houston for tests. Denver Broncos - Problems with the offensive line worsened when left guard Jeff Davidson went down with a knee injury. It wasn't

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Cunningham will not need surgery for a stretched knee ligament. He will miss six weeks, possibly returning for the Sept. 5 season-opener in

Indianapolis Colts — Holdout quarterback Jeff George reportedly has told friends he has no intention of ever playing again for the team. The Indianapolis Star reported

Tuesday that George has returned to his bome but has oo plans to report to the team's training camp. George's agent, Leigh Steinberg, declined to comment The fourth-year quarterback has

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been absent since camp began July 15. Team officials haven't disclosed any reasons for the holdout and George, fined \$48,000 through Monday, hasn't spoken with the

Olympics Cut Sets of Men's Tennis to 3

The Associated Press

LONDON - Except for the finals, men's tennis matches will be reduced from best-of-five sets to best-of-three for the 1996 Olympics in Atlanta, the International Tennis Federation said Tuesday.

Initially, the ITF planned to reduce matches to best-of-three sets for all but the semifinals, the final and the playoff for third place, But after the IOC's president, Juan Antonio Samaranch, indicated that shorter matches were preferable, the ITF decided that only the finals of the singles and doubles will be contested over five sets.

"Traditionalists may not like it but the realities of modern life, including the way sport is presented as entertainment, mean that we must constantly monitor the way we package our product," the ITF's president. Brian Tobin, wrote in a newsletter.

· China accused the U.S. House of Representatives of "gravely vio-lating" the Olympic spirit by sup-porting a resolution opposing Beijing's bid for the 2000 Summer Games.

In a resolution passed by a 287-99 vote, the House said Monday it "strongly opposes" allowing Beijing to host the Games because of its massive violations of human rights," and asked the IOC "to find another, more suitable venue." A statement issued Tuesday by

the Chinese Olympic Committee described the vote as an "overbearing act" by a small group of Americans and a "gross interference" in the affairs of the IOC. China is believed to rank behind

Sydney among the contenders for the 2000 Games. The IOC will award the Games in September.

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Summer Reading

By Russell Baker

NEW YORK — Every year promptly on the dot of the summer solstice, we bookish folk nut down Balzac, Hawthorne, Ivan Turgenev and Virginia Woolf and pick up our summer reading, and this year my summer reading has

Yes, obviously I've read and been bewitched by "Tickled Pink," Maggie Maxwell's ingenious selfhelp book on how to cultivate gloriously glowing summer skin color now that we all know sunburn is even grimmer news than side-stream smoke. Maxwell's "299 ways to tickle like a pro" include a few that may make you blusb if you're not a regular TV fiend or moviegoer, but as the book roguishly notes, "nobody ever got skin cancer from a blush.

Maggie Maxwell, incidentally, is not a woman, but a computer which publishes under several dozen pen names. One week in the summer of 1992 every book on The New York Times's best-seller list had been written by this remarkable machine, the construction of two 12-year-old hackers.

The story of that amazing merchandising feat is delightfully told in "Me and Willard Scott," the computer's first-person account of a triumphant book-selling tour that subjected it to more than 300 television appearances to promote its in-credibly successful bodice-ripper, The Widow From Hell."

In telling its story the machine, writing under the name Edwina, lets the reader in on plenty of inside dirt about life on the book tour, Would you believe, for instance, that though all three network breakfast shows serve publicityseeking authors coffee that "isn't fit to drink," it doesn't discourage these inky peddlers from returning again and again?

Let's look at another form of unlife: Have you absolutely bad it up to here with books about neardeath experiences? I cringed when a friend gave me ber copy of "Flat-Out Death," the story of a family of nine - children, parents and grandparents — who experienced death itself for six weeks.

It won me immediately with its good-bumored opening about the family's troubles with lawyers who

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insisted that you just can't come back after six weeks of death and recover property that has been

Here's another winner: "Bop a Libber, Bop a Lib," by Peck Peddi-cord. It's guaranteed to give you 1,001 laughs even if you're not a fan of Peddicord's bellicose radio call-in show. As you know if you've heard the show, Peck Peddicord bails liberals and feminists, which provokes at least one a day to phone and insult him on the air.

He then invites the irate caller to meet him on a street corner after the show so they can "duke it out." His book is rife with armusing anecdotes about liberal and feminist "soreheads" who showed up for streetcorner fisticuffs and about the many interesting stand-ins Peddicord sent to deal with them.

Typical of the fun is the story of the time Peddicord once deputized then-heavyweight champion Mike Tyson to represent him in a streetcorner dust-up with a militant feminist. Tyson let her last three rounds before putting her out.

Everybody, of course, loves a Kennedy book, and there hasn't been a really juicy new one for several weeks, so the good news for summer readers is "Kennedy Rot." Its author is Ethelred Slung, a pseudonym. The author wanted to conceal his identity appearance to his subhis identity, according to his publisher, because he would be ashamed for his friends and family to know he was "capable of writing such

That's right, summer readers tripe! Genuine Kennedy tripe! And how we love it. What would a Ken-nedy book be if it were tripe-free? In this one the pseudonymous Slung exploits the delicious idea of asking thousands of grocery shoppers to reveal their fantasies about the most unspeakable thing ever done, or likely to be done, by the Kennedy

they most like to fantasize about.
Obviously we don't learn anything new about Kennedys, but what we learn about the mind of the American grocery shopper makes "Kennedy Rot" well worth its \$35 price tag. Of course it's possible the pseudonymous Slung invented all these hair-raising interviews to titillate summer readers. That's literatainment.

New York Times Service

The Brainy Business of Self-Improvement

By Susan Keselenko Coll

L ONDON — Armed with a white sheet of paper and a firstful of colored pens. Tony Buzan sits in a sweltering BBC office conference room Mind Mapping his day looking a series the amplication. day. Looking crisp despite the sweltering heat, he has just come from a radio chat show, which he now records with obscure but meticulous imagery for later insertion in his Mind Map Diary. After only five hours sleep, it's a day better suited to lazing in the park than spreading the word on how to think, but there's not much time for respite in his thriving line of business
— the liberation of the buman brain.

Buzan's name may ring a bell for those who have taken a stab at mental self-improvement in the past. The affable, 51-year-old author of the forthcoming "The Mind Map Book" (BBC Books) has penned eight other titles on thinking, in-cluding the international best-seller "Lies cluding the international best-seller "Use Your Head." His work has been translated into 20 languages, he has appeared in a variety of television programs and videos, and has lectured worldwide to audiences ranging from Soweto schoolchildren to multinational corporations.

ready sense of humor, this former enter of the International Journal of Mensa who claims to have the world's highest "creative live love in the laternation latern ity IQ is neither lacking in self-confidence nor short on bold predictions. Advance orders of his latest book, which he wrote with his brother Barry (a professor and author of several books on international relations), already indicate another best-seller, he says. And the implications of widespread use of his techniques are potentially profound: In a perfect Buzan world, Mind Mapping would replace tra-ditional note taking, but utilized correctly could improve microersonal relations as well as double as a form of psychotherapy.

are being taught to think incorrectly, a problem that is confusing in its own right, People don't know how they think, and not knowing how they think they often get themselves confused and think that they

can't think," says his brother.
"Yes," adds Tony. "They actually think that they can't think, which is one form of

Buzan has no problem with the actual content of what we are being taught to think. His point is rather that before one delves into the arts and sciences, one should first learn how to learn. "What's the point of sitting through 2,000 hours of history and geography in school, and coming out 17 years later having remembered I percent of it, and not liking it anymore?" he asks, reasonably enough.

One reason wby we have trouble remem-



bering, he says, is because standard means of note taking and note making fail to make effective use of our brain, which he cuphe-The cerebral cortex, the most evolutionary "advanced" part of the brain, has at its command such tools as color, dimension and space, sequence, logic, analysis, image, associative capacity, and gestalt, or whole picture, capacity. When you are making or taking notes, says Buzan, what you are ideally doing is externalizing what's inside. "The more fits there are," he says, "the

easier and more fluently the brain can relate Enter Mind Mapping, a graphic tech-nique meant to tap into the brain's natural technology and manifest its "radiant" thinking abilities. This translates in practical terms into approaching a given task by drawing a central image on a blank sheet of paper, then radiating or branching off, into related categories while employing

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"The Mind Map is like being on the flight deck of the Starship Enterprise," says Buzan, "and you can see all the insurance starthy "In a see that the insurance of the flight deck and having to look at ing on the flight deck and having to look at just one piece of data at a time."

Is this just today's passing psycho-fad, or-can we really Mind Map our way to a more mentally literate state? The answer depends, in part, on one's willingness to embrace the unconventional. Says Paul Kline, professor of psychometrics at the University of Exeter and author of a dozen books on related subjects, academics don't laugh at these sorts of popular learning techniques as much as simply ignore them. But certainly more than a few serious

minds out there are paying attention. Buzan's pricey lectures can command up to £30,000 (about \$45,000) per day, he says, and so far, it is a matter of "them

calling me." His long list of callers include regular training sessions at Goldman Sachs, IBM, Rank Xerox, and Management Center Europe, which is sponsoring a Buzan seminar on "Achieving Peak Performance" for senior management personnel in London in October,

"As I see it," says Buzan, "in the 1990s and in the next century, the prime business concern has to be 'can the individuals in the company learn to learn? "After put-ting participants through a "mental litera-cy checkup," Buzan then spends anywhere from two days to two weeks teaching Mind Mapping as well as memory im-provement skills and speed-reading. In the end, he says. They organize meetings better, they present better, they communicate with the media better, they motivate their co-workers better [and] they understand each other better."

Is Mind Mapping for everyone, then?
"Is a brain for everyone?" he replies.
But doesn't the brain that can build the better airplane already know, instinctively, what to do?

Not necessarily, says Buzan: "We consistently found that the most brilliant minds and the best engineers and so on, oven though they have a picture in their head, they dea't have the whole picture.

One Bocing engineer describes in The Mand Mind Book" how the technique has beined his company to identify quality. Map Mind Book" how the technique has helped his company to identify quality improvement projects, resulting in a savings of over \$10 million. A Boeing aircraft engineering manual was condensed into a 25-foot-long (7.5-meter) Mind Map, a reproduction of which will appear in the

The book and the lectures are just two aspects of the Buzzn brain business. The forthcoming "Mind Maps Plus" software program will allow one to think more radiantly on screen, and then there's the accompanying Mind Maps pides. as well as the antly on screen, and then there's the accompanying Mind Map video, as well as the Mind Map Kit — complete with appropriately about paper and hear — and the Mind Map Diary, all available through the Buzans have finished training the trainers, there will be Mind Mapping courses affordable to even the average moone mind.

And lest one's radiantly thinking, mentally more literate brain starts to get any entrepreneurial ideas, be forewarned the Mind Map is exclusive Buzan property.

There is only my version of Mind Maps. says Tony, comparing the exclusivity of his formula to Einstein's theory of relativity with a self-conscious chuckle. "It's trademarked, and it's very clearly defined."

Susan Keselenko Coll is a free-lance writer living in London.

PEOPLE

How Did Marilyn Die? This Week's Scenario

Ready for yet another theory on how Marilyn Mouroe diet? in a new book, "Crypt 33: The Saga of Marilyn Monroe — The Final Word," private investigator Mile Sparietic and co-author Additional Control of the Saga of Co-author Additional Control of the Co word, private investigator Mile Speriglio and co-author Adela Gregory claim the murder was ma-terminded by Chicago mab boss Sam Giancana, acting at Joe Ken-Sam Giancana, acting at Joe Kennedy's behest. The actives allegedly had affairs with two of Kennedy's sons, John F. Kennedy and Robert. F. Kennedy. Speriglio claims their father thought. Mouroe would define their political careers, so he decided to see red of her. The host decided to get rid of her. The book says IFK knew of the plot.

The publicity-hungry Italian clothing group Benetica has offered Fidel Castro a job - should be want to retire from office. Benetion has invited Castro, 66, to head a "school" it plans to set up in Italy for young artists from around the world. We plan a revolutionary kind of school without teachers and kind of school without teachers and books, and what better than having a revolutionary at its head," said company president Linciano Benet-ton. Benetton met Castro in January when he visited Havana to open the chain's first shop there.

Former televangelist Jim Bakke; convicted in 1989 of bilking millions of dollars from his PTL unistry's or donars from his ril unmary; contributors, will not be released from prison this year, the U.S. Parole Commission has fuled. A proposal by two of the commission's examiners that Bakker be released in December was rejected. Without further appeals, his prison term will end in October 1994.

Princess Diama says ahe hopes to introduce her younger son, Prince Harry, 8, to royal duties with a daytrip to Germany, where she regularly reviews British regiments of which she is honorary colonel-in-chief, "Harry likes the uniforms and all things military," she said. But she vowed that neither Harry nor his older brother, William, II, will be pushed into public life before they are ready.

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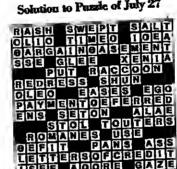
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